



City of Coachella
Ordinance No. 1075 (Effective 7/10/15)

Section 17.16.030C of Zoning Code
Coachella Municipal Code

4. Landscaping in the front yard and within the public right-of-way abutting a site shall include the following.
 - a. A minimum of one 24-inch box shade tree and one 15-gallon shade tree.
 - b. A minimum of 20 shrubs, espaliers, and succulent plants. Landscaping shall include vertical shrubs to adequately screen the sides of utility boxes or cables boxes without obstructing access to the utility boxes.
 - c. Ground cover in the form of decomposed granite for yard or planter areas less than 10 feet in width, and ¾-inch pea gravel or larger gravel for planter or yard areas larger than 10 feet in width.
 - d. The use of sod shall be limited to no more than 50% of the total required front yard area. The remainder of the yard shall be landscaped utilizing a variety of drought tolerant plant materials including shrubs, espaliers, and succulents.
 - e. The front yard area between the front building line of the home and the street line shall not be paved more than 60 percent of the total front yard area. Those areas that are not paved shall be landscaped in accordance with this section.
 - f. A minimum 30-inch landscaped planter is required along the interior property line abutting a residential driveway serving an attached garage, unless the side yard serves as an approved driveway, pursuant to Section 17.54.010(H).
 - g. A permanent underground irrigation system shall be installed for the front yard and public right-of-way areas of the site.
 - h. All trees, plants and groundcovers located in the front yard and in the adjacent public right-of-way shall be maintained by the land owner/occupier as needed to avoid overgrowth, and shall be adequately irrigated to avoid loss of plants. Dead plants shall be re-planted as needed with new plantings to provide a well-maintained front yard appearance.