LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS TEXT AMENDMENTS, APRIL 9, 2013 EDITION

Amending Section 20-1004

OF CHAPTER 20 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS



Incorporated By Reference Pursuant to K.S.A. 12-3009, et seq. K.S.A. 12-3301 et seq. and the Home Rule Authority of the City

Passed by the Governing Body of the City of Lawrence, Kansas

Ordinance No. 8861

First Reading: April 9, 2013 Second Reading: April 16, 2013 Date of Publication: April , 2013 **SECTION ONE:** Chapter 20, Article 10, Sections 20-1004 of the Code of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, 2011 Edition, and amendments thereto is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

20-1004 PARKING LOT PERIMETER LANDSCAPING

(a) Purpose

The parking lot perimeter Landscaping standards of this section are intended to Screen views of parking lots from streets and roads.

(b) Applicability

- (1) The parking lot perimeter Landscaping standards of this section apply to all off-street parking lots containing 5 or more off-street Parking Spaces.
- (2) The parking lot perimeter Landscaping standards of this section shall apply to all new development and to redevelopment of existing parking lots which result in an increase of 20% or greater of the number of spaces in the existing parking lot.

(c) Landscape/Screening Material

Parking lots shall be landscaped and screened from view of street rights-ofway with a minimum of one Shade Tree or Ornamental Tree per 25 linear feet of parking lot Frontage (required Street trees may be counted toward satisfying this requirement) and at least one of the following:

- (1) a solid masonry wall with a minimum Height of three feet (3') and a maximum Height of four feet (4'); or
- (2) a Berm with a minimum height of two feet (2'), a maximum height of three feet (3') and a maximum 3:1 slope. The Berm shall be located entirely on the property with the parking lot. Where Parking is allowed on a site and it is impracticable to provide a 15-foot wide buffer on a side adjoining residential uses or across an Alley from residential uses, with the approval of the Planning Director as part of the Site Plan Review process, a solid fence or wall at least six (6) feet in Height may be substituted for the buffer on the side adjoining or across the Alley from the residential uses: or.
- (2)(3) a continuous row of evergreen Shrubs with a minimum height of three feet (3').
- (3)(4) Provided that, the Planning Director may waive this parking lot perimeter Landscaping and Screening requirement if the Director determines that the purpose of this requirement is otherwise met or that the overall spirit and intent of this Development Code is not undermined by granting the waiver.

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(d) Landscape Area

Required landscape/Screening material shall be located between the street right-of-way and the parking lot. This landscape area shall have a minimum width of ten feet (10'), although a buffer width of five feet (5') is permitted if it is provided in conjunction with a solid masonry wall of a minimum height of three feet (3').