

CHA Landscape Plan

Landscape Mission Statement: The Clearidge HOA shall maintain in perpetuity landscaping along Oakes Avenue to enhance the value of all property in the Clearidge development.

- For the record, CHOA has verified a tree count of 12 mature red leaf plum trees with white blossoms, and 1 recently planted red leaf plum tree with pink blossoms.
 - The landscape committee proposes keeping and properly maintaining what we have with NO further tree removal.
- **For Trees** – Pruning (thinning of the branches) should be done in early/late fall, before buds begin to develop in early January. Pruning methodology shall be done using guidelines as stated in the book “Guide to Pruning” by Cass Turnbull.
- **For Bushes** – Bushes should be pruned in the late fall once leaves have fallen. Replacement or addition to ground cover shall be xeriscape bushes/plants and deer resistant.
- **For Ground Cover** – Existing wood chips (not bark) shall be replenished every 3-4 years as needed. Blowing or raking of wood chips is to be avoided. Weeding shall be by hand and/or spraying as needed.
- The landscape plan will be implemented as completely as possible but will be dependent upon the Clearidge budget and current costs of plants, labor and materials.

Along with the adoption of the above suggested methodology, the landscape committee wishes to propose the following action plan for the coming years.

4-Year Action Plan

Year 1

- Fall 2022 and every year for the next 3 years employ healthier tree care using the Turnbull methods for three (3) of our mature red leaf plum trees.
- Plant one (1) new same type and variety red leaf plum, white blossom tree.
- Starting on the westerly most frontage, begin filling in the barest ground areas with deer resistant and xeriscape bushes/plants as permitted by the budget.

Year 2

- Fall 2023 continue healthy tree maintenance using established Turnbull guidelines, pruning another three (3) mature red leaf plum trees.
- Plant another (1) red leaf plum, white blossom tree.
- Continue adding additional deer resistant and xeriscape bushes/plants to remaining bare ground areas, as well as replenish missing or thinned wood chips as needed and permitted by the budget.

Year 3

- Fall 2024 continue healthy tree maintenance using established Turnbull guidelines, pruning another three (3) mature red leaf plum trees.
- Plant another (1) red leaf plum, white blossom tree.
- Continue adding some additional deer resistant and xeriscape bushes/plants to remaining bare ground areas as permitted by the budget.

Year 4

- Fall 2025 complete the healthy tree maintenance using established Turnbull guidelines, pruning the final three (3) mature red leaf plum trees.
- Plant another (1) red leaf plum, white blossom tree.
- Continue adding additional deer resistant and xeriscape bushes/plants to remaining bare ground areas as permitted by the budget.
- Complete the replacement of all remaining thin or missing wood chips as needed and permitted by budget.