Plant Your Own Front Yard Landscape Program

Homeowners who wish to improve their front yards before the Community provides plants or trees, or who wish to plant larger plants or trees than the community provides (e.g. 24" box tree instead of 15 gallon), have the opportunity to do so under this *Plant Your Own Front Yard Landscape* program:

- 1. Select the location for planting the plants and clearly mark (e.g. stake, flag, etc.)
- 2. If planting a tree, confirm that the location you select is not immediately above your sewer line, to avoid expensive repairs from root damage as the tree grows.
- 3. Select a species from the Plant Palette approved for the community found here: Pines at South Mountain Approved Plant List
- 4. Submit an <u>Architectural Request Form</u> to <u>thePines@wearevision.com</u> with your name, address, the tree or plant species and the size selected. Include a diagram or picture indicating where each tree or plant would be located.
- 5. After you receive email approval (which will indicate the reimbursement amount, plant the approved tree(s) and/or plant(s) in the approved location(s). Be sure to install an adequate number of drip lines to provide the amount of water needed.
- 6. After planting, forward your acceptance with the purchase receipt to ThePines@wearevision.com
- 7. Receive a check for the pre-approved amount.

Homeowners <u>may plant more and larger approved plants and trees</u> than those listed in this program, however, they will only be reimbursed up to the quantities and amounts listed below.

Reimbursement parameters:

- No more than one 15-gallon tree (\$165), one 5-gallon plant (\$40), two 1-gallon plants (\$15/ea.).
- Reimbursement rate is equal to the amount that the Community pays the contracted landscape vendor for plants and trees. For example, in 2025, a 15-gallon tree costs \$165 from the community landscape vendor, so that is the maximum reimbursement.
- Annual Program budget set by the Board each year.
- Once the annual budget for planting reimbursement has been distributed, no other reimbursements will be approved for the remainder of the year.

This program replaces the *Plant Your Own Tree Program* originally announced in 2023.

This program may be modified or withdrawn at any time by The Pines at South Mountain Homeowners Association Board of Directors.

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