

1 **CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2009-77**

3 **INTRODUCED BY:**

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5 Councilor Dominguez
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10 **A RESOLUTION**

11 **DIRECTING STAFF TO PREPARE UPDATED LANDSCAPING STANDARDS**
12 **INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WEED BARRIERS, PLANT MATERIALS, AND**
13 **SCREENING WALL STANDARDS FOR NEW ROADWAY MEDIANS AND PLANTING**
14 **STRIPS.**

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16 **WHEREAS**, Section 14-9.2(M) SFCC 1987 requires landscaping plans to be submitted
17 by the developer for all roadway medians and all planting strips between the curb and sidewalk,
18 also known as parkways, in accordance with the City's landscaping regulations; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Section 14-9.2(I) SFCC 1987 requires that property owners maintain the
20 public parkway adjoining their property, including the eradication of weeds and the trimming of
21 shrubs and trees; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the City's Parks, Trails and Watershed Division maintains the medians and
23 planting strips along major arterials; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the proper landscaping of medians and planting strips includes the correct
25 installation of weed barriers and plants suitable to the location and the size of the planting strips

1 as well as conserve water; and

2 **WHEREAS**, screening walls particularly along roadways or open space become graffiti
3 magnets, but with suitable surfaces and finishes and with landscaping in front, graffiti may be
4 discouraged or more easily removed; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the installation of attractive roadway medians, planting strips and screening
6 walls and their continued maintenance is vital to the general appearance of our community and
7 for the public safety of pedestrians as well as vehicle drivers and passengers.

8 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
9 **CITY OF SANTA FE** that:

10 1. The Land Use Department and the Parks, Trails and Watershed Division are
11 directed to work together to prepare updated standards for weed barriers, plants and landscaping
12 materials and screening walls for new roadway medians and planting strips calling for attractive
13 and suitable plantings and materials that also minimize maintenance, discourage graffiti and
14 conserve water.

15 2. The standards may be adopted administratively unless specific changes to
16 Chapter 14 are required.

17 3. The Land Use Department shall report to the Governing Body within 60 days of
18 the adoption of this resolution as to the completion of the standards.

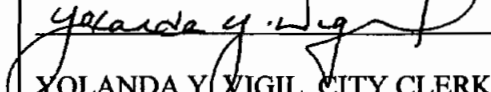
19 **PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED** this 29th day of July, 2009.

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23 DAVID COSS, MAYOR
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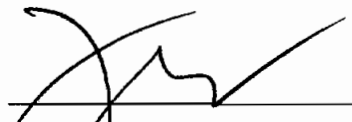
1 ATTEST:

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4 YOLANDA Y. VIGIL, CITY CLERK

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6 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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9 FRANK D. KATZ, CITY ATTORNEY

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