

MPRB Staff Guidance

on

Allowance of low-growing groundcover plants or vegetative erosion control on MPRB Land adjacent to Parkways

Goal: to provide further guidance on MPRB Land Policy –

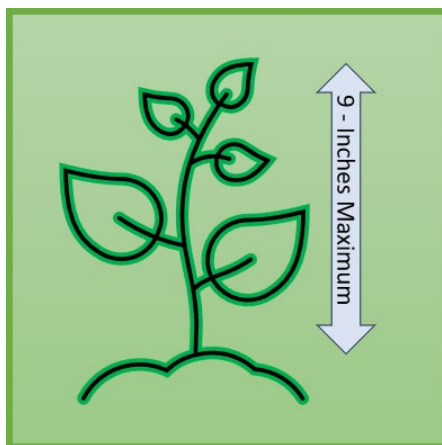
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iii. MPRB may allow low-growing groundcover plants or vegetative erosion control on MPRB Land adjacent to parkways, as an alternative to turfgrass, provided this landscaping is not irrigated after establishment, does not limit visibility on parkways, is maintained by the adjacent owner/lessor, and provides habitat benefit. This landscaping may be subject to removal without notice if it impedes typical MPRB maintenance activities, such as tree stewardship. Encroachment licenses are not required for landscaping as defined herein. Landscape encroachments are subject to MPRB staff review at any time, and modifications to species type, placement, size, height, and other factors must be made if directed by MPRB staff.

MPRB Staff offers the following guidance:

The low-growing groundcover plants or vegetative erosion control...

- ❖ Must not exceed 9 inches in height.



- ❖ Must not grow or be allowed to grow over the sidewalk or curb



- ❖ Must not be a Minnesota noxious weed



- ❖ Should provide some habitat benefit such as flowers for bees or butterflies

