

WAC 479-05-130 Project landscaping and aesthetic improvements.

Cost of landscaping and aesthetic improvements is limited to five percent of the total eligible construction contract amount.

(1) Landscaping includes:

(a) Cost of trees, shrubs, sod, and other plant material.

(b) Top soil and bark.

(c) Irrigation and tree grates.

(d) Labor for installation.

(2) Aesthetic improvement includes:

(a) Ornamental lighting.

(b) The local agency share of the cost of undergrounding of utilities.

(c) Public art.

(d) Special surfacing treatments (stamped concrete, pavers).

(e) Labor for installation.

(3) Items not considered landscaping or aesthetic improvements are:

(a) Erosion control treatments.

(b) Wetland mitigation (plantings) required by federal or state regulations.

(c) Property restoration.

(d) Landscaping integral to safety performance of active transportation separation/buffers.

(e) Landscaping and aesthetic improvements (except cost of undergrounding utilities) when the project is located within zoned or planned central business center/district.

(f) Landscaping contributing to speed management treatments (such as, but not limited to: Traffic circles, chicanes, lane shifts, median refuge areas, or added vertical friction to induce slower speed selection, etc.).

Requests for increases in landscaping and related costs are subject to WAC 479-05-201, 479-05-202, and 479-05-203. Landscaping costs in excess of the five percent limit may be paid for by funding sources other than TIB funds.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 47.26 RCW. WSR 23-08-032, § 479-05-130, filed 3/28/23, effective 4/28/23; WSR 12-08-060, § 479-05-130, filed 4/3/12, effective 5/4/12; WSR 07-18-050, § 479-05-130, filed 8/30/07, effective 9/30/07. Statutory Authority: Chapters 47.26 and 47.66 RCW. WSR 99-24-038, § 479-05-130, filed 11/23/99, effective 12/24/99.]