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Member Motion

Mayor's Office

Re: Xeriscaping on Town Boulevards

To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Tom Mrakas

Date: April 2, 2024

Whereas water conservation and sustainable landscaping practices are essential for the well-being of our community and the environment; and

Whereas xeriscaping is a water-efficient landscaping method that promotes the use of drought-resistant and native plants, reducing the need for irrigation and conserving water resources and reduce yard trimmings; and

Whereas xeriscaping on Town boulevards has the potential to showcase the benefits of water-efficient landscaping, beautify our community, and inspire residents to adopt sustainable practices; and

Whereas xeriscaping is currently considered an encroachment under Town Bylaws and is therefore not allowed;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Council directs staff to report back on the feasibility of implementing xeriscaping on Town boulevards Town-wide.