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## General Landscape Guidelines for New Builds

## Investment

- Budget about $5-10 \%$ of the cost of your home for landscaping
- If your project requires retaining walls, set aside an additional $\$ 20,000-\$ 30,000$ (depending on wall size and materials)

Lot Analysis

- Slope - will the lot require retaining walls to help reduce runoff and mowing difficulties?
- Views - can strategic plantings or privacy fence adequately screen undesirable views?
- Wind - will you need to plant trees to mitigate wind?
- Exposure - what direction will the house face?
- It's best to have a driveway on the south side of the house so ice and snow will melt in the winter
- The west side is the most ideal location for a patio
- If you're planning on having a walk-out basement or garden view windows, you will most likely need retaining walls


## Consultations

- Discuss exterior components with a landscape designer
- Including, but not limited to: driveway and walkway layouts, patio locations, deck layout, etc.
- Please consult us if you have any questions when analyzing a lot

Information to Know

- Any ordinances that may affect design decisions
- Property lines
- Setbacks and easement locations

Wishlist

- Make a list of needs and wants
- Compile ideas or pictures of elements you'd like to incorporate into your design
- Discuss your budget with the designer so they can design accordingly

Services Provided

Design<br>On-Site Consultations<br>Installation<br>Planting<br>Maintenance

Mowing
Pruning/Clean Up
Tree Spading
Seasonal Planter Arrangements
Lawn Installation (Seed/Sod)

Lighting
Irrigation Delivery
Plant Health Assessment
Natural Stone Veneer

