

The New York City Council

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Int. No. 402

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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the planting of drought-resistant trees and vegetation on city-owned property.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 24 of the administrative code of the city of New York is hereby amended by adding a new section 24-340 to read as follows:

§ 24-340 Planting of drought-resistant trees and vegetation on city-owned property. a. For purposes of this section only, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- (1) "Drought-resistant" means having low water requirements.
- (2) "Trees" means all forms of plants having permanent woody self-supporting trunks.
 - (3) "Turf" means a surface layer of soil containing a dense growth of grass and its matted roots.
- (4) "Vegetation" means plants collectively of whatever name or nature not included under the term "trees".
- b. In any landscaping project conducted on city-owned property for which the use of turf is not necessary for functional or recreational purposes, drought-resistant trees and vegetation shall be planted.

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- b. When renovating existing turf or installing new turf on city-owned property, varieties of turf with reduced water needs shall be selected.
 - § 2. This local law shall take effect sixty days after its enactment.

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