



Summerfield HOA #5
Landscaping Report
July 2025

Bark dust on Lakeside is finally scheduled for the week of July 7th. This week!

- Crews will be finishing up some trimming, raking and placing fertilizer on most beds. Tom and his crew will be hand applying bark dust. This process will take a few days, please be patient.
- Please know bark dust will not be applied within front courtyards nor on back patios.
- Please remove pots, furniture and yard ornaments that will impede the application of bark dust. If you are able, after application, please water down your areas to keep it from dispersing in the breeze. Please remember to close your windows!

Each unit has a property line. The end units have more. Property lines run from the street all the way back to either the fence (94th) or the golf course boundary (Lakeside.) Ultimately each unit is responsible for their property. Our HOA has hired Rain or Shine Landscaping to provide a “generic upkeep” each week. This may or may not cover “everything” on your property every week. It is up to each homeowner to do light landscaping as they are able. Please read our contract and their schedule (on our website for more detailed information.)

Please note that some shrubs have specific times of year they can be pruned especially during very cold or very hot weather.

A reminder to residents that ground cover or roses are not maintained by Rain or Shine. Ground cover is comprised of low-growing plants that cover the soil surface and spreads on its own.

Crews already have started pruning on 94th and will continue as weather cooperates.

Looking ahead:

- Bark dust application for 94th will happen in 2026 (was done in 2024.)
- If you want to plant a new shrub or tree or re-landscape an area in our HOA maintained area, you must check with the VP of Landscaping first.

- Please keep after weeds growing in driveway and sidewalk cracks. Vinegar is an effective deterrent. Also, please remember to keep these same areas free of slippery moss in the winter.
- The property in between driveways can be a sticky issue. Who's responsible? In order for our units to look tidy and uncluttered, please do not put in plants that require regular upkeep. (annuals or flowers) Each homeowner that share this space is ultimately responsible for care. Rain or Shine will occasionally prune and weed as time permits. If continued unsightliness, please consider having those plants removed by another landscaping vendor or remove it yourselves.
- Some plants suffer damage in extreme weather conditions. Before the plant is declared dead, trim back the damage and fertilize, as the plant may just need more nutrients. This task is up to each homeowner if you are able. If the plant does not revive- it will be evaluated by Rain or Shine for removal.

All service requests this past year have been resolved.

As a reminder, any landscape requests are to be submitted in writing and placed in my mailbox. Your request will be given to Rain or Shine for evaluation.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Brown
HOA 5 Landscaping