

2. Application for Natural Lawn. Any owner or operator of land in the City of Madison may apply for approval of a land management plan for a natural lawn, one where the grasses exceed eight (8) inches in height, with the Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development.
3. "Land Management Plan" means a written plan relating to management of the lawn which contains a legal description of the lawn upon which the grass will exceed eight (8) inches in length, a statement of intent and purpose for the lawn, a general description of the vegetational types, plants, and plant succession involved, and the specific management and maintenance techniques to be employed. The management plan must include provisions for cutting at a length not greater than eight (8) inches the terrace area, that portion between the sidewalk and the street or a strip not less than four (4) feet adjacent to the street where there is no sidewalk, and at least a three (3) foot strip adjacent to neighboring property lines unless waived by the abutting property owner on the side so affected.
All lawn and grass areas shall be cut between June 30 and October 15 when the Fire Chief, in her/his discretion, so orders consistent with his powers as granted in Chapter 34 of the Madison General Ordinances. (Am. by ORD-14-00012, 1-14-14)
4. Revocation of the Land Management Plan.
The Land Management Plan may be revoked for failure to comply with the requirements of Sec. 27.05(2)(f)2. Notice of intent to revoke a Land Management Plan shall be appealable to the Urban Design Commission. All applications for appeal shall be submitted within fifteen (15) days of Notice of Intent to revoke a Land Management Plan.
5. Application Requirements. Each application for a Land Management Plan shall be on a form provided by the Director of the Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development. A copy of the application shall be mailed by the applicant or given personally by the applicant to each of the owners of record, as listed in the Office of the City Assessor, who are owners of the property situated in whole or in part within two hundred (200) feet of the boundaries of the properties affected. The Director of the Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development shall provide the list of the property owners who are to be notified of the application. The applicant shall certify, under oath, on a form to be furnished by the Director of the Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development, that such owners have been duly notified and the manner in which they have been notified. If, within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a copy of the application, at least fifty-one percent (51%) of such property owners file written objections to the application with the Director of the Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development, the Director of the Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development shall refer the application to the Urban Design Commission for hearing and decision.
6. Application for Appeal. The owner or operator of land in the City of Madison may appeal from a decision of the Director of the Department of Planning and Community and Economic Development refusing to grant a Land Management Plan. All appeals shall be to the Urban Design Commission of the City of Madison which shall hear such appeals once a month, March through September. All applications for appeal shall be submitted within fifteen (15) days of notice of denial of the Land Management Plan.

(Sec. 27.05(2)(f) Am. by Ord. 9326, 11-13-87)