Beginning Spring 2023, the Utah Division of Water Resources will offer a landscape rebate program for residential and commercial property owners through UtahWaterSavers.com. Utahns can receive up to \$1.50/square foot of grass removed and replaced with water-efficient landscaping. In order for your residents to be eligible for the statewide landscape rebate program, your city will need to adopt the following landscape ordinances for new residential developments:

- No lawn on parking strips or areas less than eight feet in width in new residential development.
- No more than 50% of front and side yard landscaped area in new residential developments is lawn. Lawn limitations do not apply to small residential lots with less than 250 square feet of landscaped area.

Additional program rules will also require adoption of the following ordinance for a city to remain eligible for incentives:

• In new commercial, industrial, institutional, and multi-family development common area landscapes, lawn areas shall not exceed 20% of the total landscaped area, outside of active recreation areas.

This is an excellent opportunity to review and add to city ordinances that will contribute to more sustainable growth and water conservation on a local level. We encourage cities to revise their landscaping ordinances as needed to give their residents a chance to qualify for landscape rebates and conserve water. For more information on rebates and what cities have established water-efficient municipal codes, visit ConserveWater.utah.gov.

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