9.3 Appendix 3 – Plants and Shrubs for Use in Common Areas

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Landscaping and gardening for condominiums has many limitations. Unit owners must be adhered to rules and regulations as well as the limitation of space. When buying plants and shrubs for your unit, the key words are DWARF and COMPACT. Many new varieties are available at the garden centers. Also, be sure to check the labels for growing requirements e.g., sun, partial shade, full shade, and hardiness zone.

Shrubs suitable for foundation planting

Azalea dwarf variety

Birdsnest spruce

Cotoneaster (check label, many varieties are low growing and spreading)

Dwarf Boxwood (subject to winterkill)

Dwarf Japanese Holly (many varieties)

English Yew (check growing habits, many varieties)

Hanoki False Cypress

Hydrangea smooth or silverleaf

Japanese Barberry

Laurel compact variety

Mugo pine

Slender Deutzia (not evergreen)

Low maintenance perennials

Astilbe

Bleeding heart (fringed) Campanula

Coralbells Coreopsis

Creeping Phlox Daylily

Dwarf Blanketflower

Hardy Geranium

Hosta

Myrtle

Pachysandra Rudbeckia

Sedum

Shasta Daisy

Siberian Iris

Stella d'Oro Daylily

Yarrow

Ornamental Grasses

Blue Fescue Fountain Grass Maiden Grass