



CHANGE IN COUNTY MOWING REGULATIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL AREAS

On Aug. 24, 2016, the Sarasota County Commission adopted ordinance #2016-058 that requires property owners and/or residents in residential areas of the urban service boundary to maintain vegetation within public rights of way (ROW) adjacent to their properties effective Oct. 1, 2016.

Property owners covered by the ordinance are required to maintain the vegetation growing between their property lines and the edges of pavement or curb. This includes removal of litter, mowing of turf, edging of sidewalks and curbs, and trimming around all driveway culverts, mailboxes and power/light poles.

The county will continue to maintain vegetation within the ROWs adjacent to undeveloped properties in their natural state, medians within divided roadways and along arterial and collector roads. Citizens with extremely deep and steep ditch slopes may apply to the county for mowing assistance.

The adopted ordinance, list of affected roads and exemption application can be found online at www.scgov.net/PublicWorks or by calling the Sarasota County Contact Center at 941-861-5000.