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COMMERCIAL MAINTENANCE SPECIFICATIONS

Lawn Areas

- 1. All lawn areas will be moved weekly during growing season, as necessary thereafter.
- 2. All lawn areas will be edged bi-weekly during growing season, as necessary thereafter.
- 3. Lawns will be mowed using grass catchers or mulchers, depending on seasonal condition.
- 4. Mower blades will be sharpened weekly to prevent tearing of grass plants.
- 5. Lawns will be kept free of weeds and moss.
- All grass clippings will be removed from site and discarded; driveway, patios and sidewalks will be blown free of clippings after each cutting.
- 7. Lawn area will have Lime applied once a year.
- 8. Lawns will be fertilized four times per year in order to apply approximately six pounds of Nitrogen per one thousand square feet per year.

Fertilization Schedule

FEB - MAR: Fertilize plus Iron for moss control

MAY - JUN: Fertilize

OCT: Fertilize at 11/2 rate to promote

strong root growth

DEC: Fertilize

Paved Areas

- Paved areas will be kept free of weeds, both manually and by chemical prevention.
- 2. Paved areas will be blown free of all debries associated with the Contractors work.

Shrubs and Trees

- Shrubs and trees shall be pruned as necessary to maintain neat appearance. Large trees (over twelve feet tall) are excluded.
- 2. At no time will shrubs, trees, or ground cover block streets, or obstruct signs.
- 3. Dead wood and dead plants will be removed promptly.
- Deciduous trees (under twelve feet tall) will be pruned during the dormant season. Said pruning will be supervised by Landscape Gardeners experienced in such pruning.
- 5. Shrubs will be fertilized twice annually using a balanced granular fertilizer.
- 6. All pruning debris will be removed from site and discarded.

Shrub Beds

- Shrub beds will be kept reasonably free of weeds, by both manual removal and chemical prevention.
- All debris, resulting from weeding, will be promptly removed from the premises and discarded.
- 3. Autumn leaves will be removed and discarded.

Litter Control and General Inspection

1. During each visit, all landscape areas within the scope of this contract, will be cleared of all litter and debris. Any improprieties should be brought to the attention of Management.