



# Water Conservation Program PARKWAY STRIP CONVERSION REBATE GUIDELINES

This program is for the removal of live turfgrass located in parkway strips and is watered with an automatic irrigation system. Water waste is prevalent in these small areas. Upgrading irrigation systems to drip irrigation or removing the irrigation completely will stop water waste by reducing overspray into streets and sidewalks. Converting these areas from turfgrass to native plants reduces maintenance time and expense, as well as benefits pollinators.

## PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY:

- Applicant must be a direct City of Round Rock water customer, in good standing.
- Applicant must have an existing irrigation system in the parkway strip of the property. If there is not an irrigation system, you are not eligible for the program.
- A pre-inspection is required. Reach out to City staff at [waterconservation@roundrocktexas.gov](mailto:waterconservation@roundrocktexas.gov) to schedule.
- Itemized receipt(s) must be submitted with the application within 90-days of plant or hardscape installation.
- Per State law, only the property owner or a licensed irrigator may make irrigation system repairs. A list of licensed irrigators can be found on the [TCEQ Licensing Information](#) page.

## PROGRAM DETAILS:

**There are two (2) conversion options for the parkway strip area.**

1. **Replace turf with native and adapted plants to Central Texas** *(limited to spring and fall seasons only)*
  - Install and establish plants in Spring or Fall (between March 1 - May 31 and/or September 1 - November 30). *(Avoiding the heat of summer.)*
  - Check with your HOA's landscaping rules on parkway strips, if necessary.
  - Seeding wildflowers must comply with the City's Code of Ordinances, [found here](#).
  - New landscapes must not block sidewalks or impair street view for pedestrians or cars.
  - Native plant resources & searchable databases found here: [www.roundrocktexas.gov/nativeplants](http://www.roundrocktexas.gov/nativeplants)
2. **OR replace turf with a permeable hardscape.** *(this can be completed any time of year)*
  - River rocks or large stones that heavy rain cannot wash away.
  - No crushed, decomposed or granite gravel, or rocks smaller than 2-inch diameter.
  - No artificial turf or concrete.

**The parkway strip irrigation MUST be capped or converted to drip irrigation.**

- Spray heads must be capped if on a shared sprinkler zone with another part of the yard.
- If the parkway strip is irrigated by a dedicated zone, it must be converted to drip, capped, or removed.
- If the parkway strip currently uses drip irrigation, no irrigation work or change is required.

## REBATE DETAILS:

- Landscape conversion rebate amount is \$1.50 per square foot of area converted.
- Irrigation rebate amount is \$50 per zone capped and \$75 per zone converted to drip.
- A rebate check will be mailed 2-4 weeks after the final inspection completed.
- The maximum total rebate amount is \$600 per water account per fiscal year (Oct 1 – Sept 30).



# Water Conservation Program PARKWAY STRIP CONVERSION REBATE APPLICATION

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

1. Read the Program Guidelines to ensure eligibility.
2. Pre-Inspection is required. Contact [waterconservation@roundrocktexas.gov](mailto:waterconservation@roundrocktexas.gov) to schedule.
3. Submit application and receipts within 90 days of project completion.
4. A final inspection will be conducted.
5. A rebate check will be mailed 2-3 weeks after final inspection and application has been processed.

## APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name on water utility bill: \_\_\_\_\_ Water CID-Account #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name for Rebate Check (if different than name on account): \_\_\_\_\_  
Rebate Mailing Address (if different than property address): \_\_\_\_\_  
Best Contact Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Was the area converted to Hardscape or Native Landscape?	Area Converted (square feet)	Rebate	Total Rebate Amount
		\$1.50/sqft	
Irrigation Retrofits	# Zones Converted	Rebate	Total Rebate Amount
Conversion of zone to drip		\$75 per zone	
Capping or removing a full zone		\$50 per zone	
Capping a partial zone (zone shared with parkway and yard)		\$25 per partial zone	
Irrigation work performed by (Irrigation company name or owner)		Licensed Irrigator #	

\*See Page 1 for rebate details.

**Total Rebate** \_\_\_\_\_  
(not to exceed \$600)

Please sign to confirm you have read and agree to the Program Guidelines listed on Page 1 of this application.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## SUBMIT APPLICATION AND ITEMIZED RECEIPT(S) TO:

Email: [jwoods@roundrocktexas.gov](mailto:jwoods@roundrocktexas.gov)

Fax: 512-255-6911

Mail: Water Conservation, 3400 Sunrise Road, Round Rock, TX 78665

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Date received _____	Rebate Amount _____	Approved _____
Application # _____	Date Rebate Issued _____	By _____
Inspection Date _____	Acct # 20040000-5422	Finance Approval _____