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What can be planted on the Boulevard?

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Where is the Boulevard?

In addition to the bylaws referenced above the **"Traffic Bylaw-5870 (1992)"** which can also be found on the City's website defines **"boulevard"** and **"shoulder"**.

The **boulevard** area is defined as:

- where there is no **curb** and gutter, the area between the shoulder of the road and the adjacent property line;
- where there is **curb** and gutter, the area from the back of the curb to the adjacent property line; and
- where there is **curb** and gutter and a sidewalk, the area from the back of the sidewalk to the adjacent property line

Furthermore the **"shoulder"** in the **"Traffic Bylaw-5870 (1992)"** is defined as "where there is no curb or gutter, the area between the edge of the road and a line two metres, fifty centimetres (2.5m.) parallel to the edge of the road.

The purpose of the **shoulder** is to provide an allowance for public parking, consequently, there is no prohibition from parking on a shoulder, regardless of ground cover, so long as the vehicle maintains compliance with all other regulations within **Traffic Bylaw 5870**.

See the photo illustration to the left identifying the **"boulevard"** area, based on the conditions of:

- no curb and gutter

Boulevard Condition:

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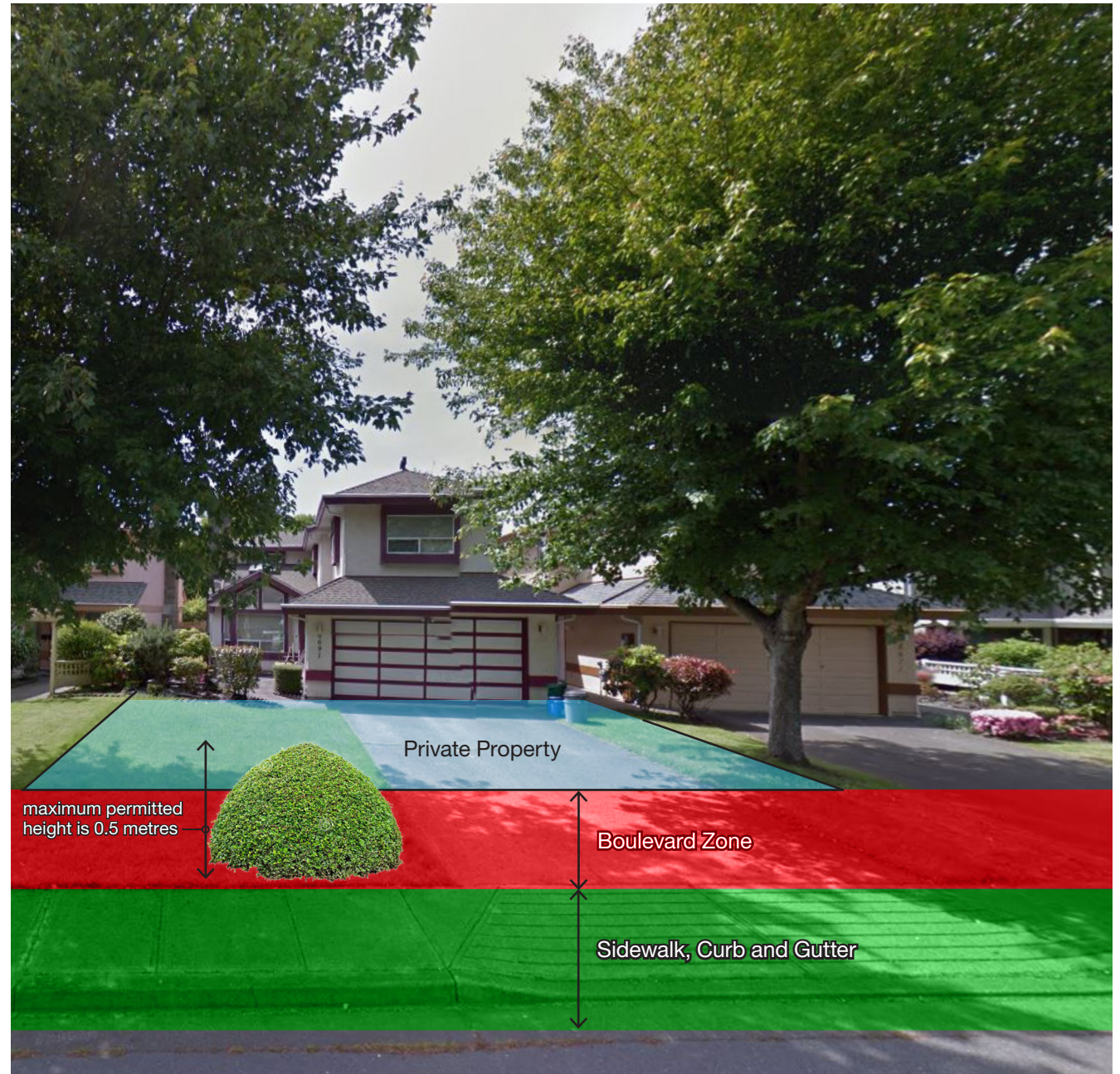
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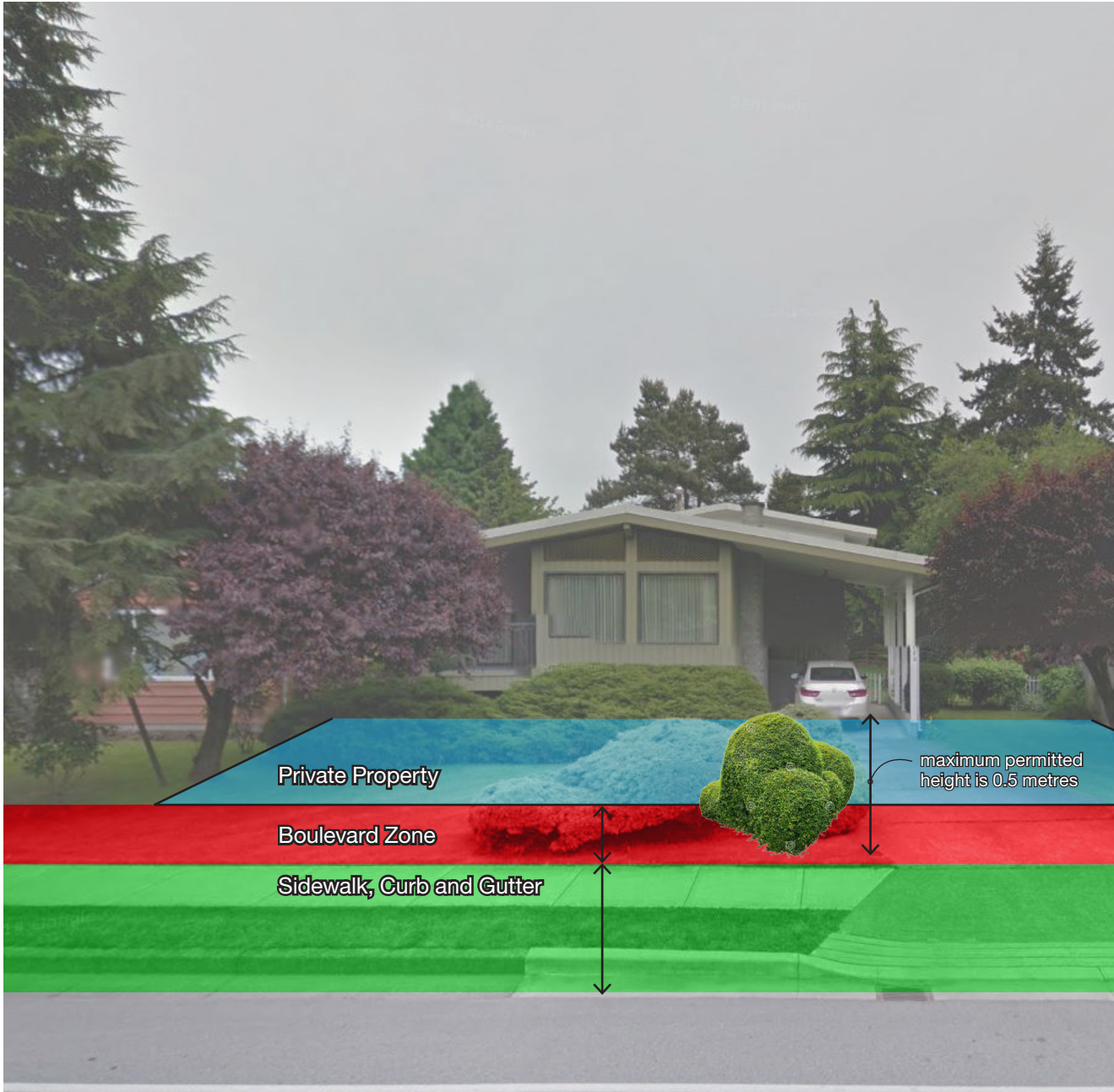
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