



## Town of Miami Lakes Memorandum

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**To:** Honorable Councilmembers  
**From:** Honorable Mayor Manny Cid  
**Subject:** Artificial Grass  
**Date:** October 8, 2019

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### **Recommendation:**

As the Town has moved away from utilizing herbicides at our public areas, I want to have a discussion about amending our code to allow residents to utilize artificial grass in their backyards.

Artificial grass is environmentally friendly as residents will be able to eliminate the use of herbicides and other harsh fertilizers. Some fertilizers are known to impact the algae growth in lakes.

It also assist with the conservation of water and reduces carbon emissions as no lawn mowers/equipment is required. As part of the code change, we would need to ensure that any artificial grass

Installation has proper drainage under the code. This initiative falls under the “Imagine Miami Lakes 2025” plan: Achieve Universal Environmental Sustainability In Public And Private Environments, Operations And Infrastructure.

Fiscal Impact: Minimal  
Guiding Principles: 1,2, 3,4,14  
Objectives: 4, 5