

202 South Columbia Avenue
Landscape Design Changes
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Foundation Landscapes: The primary difference between the original design and new is a greater density of shrubs and ornamental trees. The original plan was relatively simple with a linear organization. The new design uses a far greater quantity of shrubs and follows a more complex, curvilinear pattern, focusing on layering and density. The front foundation landscape shows the most change, with a complex, interwoven boxwood parterre, 4 ornamental cherry trees, a weeping white pine, and irregular flagstone walkways set into Mazus and Phlox groundcovers. The rear entry (east foundation) utilizes more linear/layered evergreen elements but is complementary to the more complex portions of the landscape. The south foundation focuses on simple, evergreen elements, considering the distance between the new construction and existing driveway is very limited. A simplified version of the boxwood parterre theme will be added to the existing pool house landscape.

Existing Trees: A thorough tree preservation plan was put in place to maintain as many existing trees as possible. Two massive oak trees, several medium sized oak trees, dozens of pines and spruces, and various other smaller ornamental trees were preserved with the assistance of an arborist consultant. All appear healthy and will be regularly maintained for health and appearance. The homeowner is open to adding more canopy trees as space allows. Any trees removed from the tree lawn during construction will be replaced.

Hardscape: The driveway, back access walkway, and front access walkway all remain relatively equal square footage to the original design. The front walkway shows the most change. The new front walkway follows a curved design, and the form of the front foundation landscape and walkway are now complementary. Irregular limestone flagstone, sourced from the same quarry as the house façade and mortared on concrete, will be used for all new hardscape surfaces.

Turf: The amount of lawn did not change significantly from the original proposal, beside the increase in depth of the front foundation landscape.

Water Feature: A small, low profile water feature will be added to the south foundation of the house. This will be visible primarily from the elevated patio/screened porch.