

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOVER, IN COUNCIL MET:**

That Chapter 114 – Vegetation, Article II – Weeds, be amended by adding a new Section 114-35 – Exceptions, as follows:

**Sec. 114-35. Exceptions.**

The following shall be considered exceptions to the eight-inch height maximum:

- (a) *Riparian Areas.* Areas within seventy-five feet of the bank of a perennial stream or lake or within 25 feet from the outer edge of a stormwater management pond shall be permitted to include stream bank vegetation, including grasses, shrubs and/or trees.
- (b) *Agricultural Areas.* Areas that are actively used for the cultivation of fields, including seasonal cover crops, shall be exempt from this requirement.
- (c) *Approved Natural and/or Meadow Areas.* Areas that have been planted as meadow areas or areas that are being allowed to revert to natural vegetation, with approval of the city planner and the city manager, shall be permitted in accordance with the approvals granted by these offices.

ADOPTED: MAY 11, 2009