Shrub Masses

Allow individual plants to spread so that they create a larger drift or mass.

Shearing each individual plant into a ball or box shape.
Bike Screening Hedge Pruning

- This
- Not This

Maintain hedge height to approx. 42” or the average height of the bicycle handlebars.

Shearing the hedges too low, revealing too much of the bicycles / cars etc.
Hedge / Shrub Pruning

This

Not This

Allow full growth of younger branches all the way to the ground.

‘Lifting the skirt’ of individual plants revealing excess ground surface or objects being screened.
Hedge / Shrub Pruning

This

Trim hedges to align with header boards / curbs on the ground.

Not This

Trimming them narrower (or wider) than header boards / curbs
Encourage proper tree branching habit to develop.

Only certified arborists should prune trees for strong growth and long term health.

Shape trees into balls or boxes
Always use clean disinfected tools on each individual tree.

Using unclean tools from an off campus site or from one palm to the next.
Allow some build up of old frond stems to create a sturdy outer layer on the trunk.

Excessive shearing of old palm fronds can weaken the outer layer and invite disease.