

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Friday, October 1, 2021

- I. The meeting was called to order at 2:06 p.m. in the Lefe Room.
- II. It was confirmed that the meeting had been properly noticed.
- III. A quorum was established with the attendance of committee members Mike Jacobs, Dona Lasseter, and Angela Potter. Also, in attendance were CDD Liaison, Dick Carroll; Rizzetta Field Services Manager, John Toborg; ArtisTree A/E, Dem Santiago; General Manager, Steve Dietz; and Executive Assistant, Mary Paige Huisman.
- IV. The minutes from the September Landscape Committee meeting were reviewed and approved with no changes.
- V. There were no public comments for discussion.

VI. JOHN TOBORG REPORT

Please see John Toborg's Field Inspection Report from September 24, 2021. Specifically discussed at this meeting were:

- #2 – Downy Jasmine that had been placed to fill the gap at the tip of the median at WLB and UMR are gone and need to be replaced at expense of ArtisTree. (The access point is to the rear.)
- #6 – Very weedy Wedelia bed on south side of Conch Shell east.
- #20 – Reclinata on Discovery inbound and Medjool date on Winding Stream west of Rainbow Court were missed in the latest pruning and need to be addressed.
- #27 – Patch of turf in this item has been replaced, per Dem.
- #39 – Schefflera and Sweet Viburnum at the lift station near Rainbow Court were also missed during pruning. Because of the slope, they will need to be accessed using a lift.
- #42 – Infill of Gold Dust crotons at Winding Stream/Rainbow Court left out of last enhancement. ArtisTree will do as install and bill us.
- #47 – There is a leak at the roundabout near Field Brook that needs to be brought to ArtisTree's irrigation department.

VII. ARTISTREE REPORT

- A. Dem reported that the following have been completed: Overgrowth in ditches at main entrance trimmed; hedge along WLB trimmed; Discovery east cul-de-sac trimmed; WLB median firebush shaped; bougainvillea and gold mound in "the circle" trimmed; and the irrigation at the Mossy Branch gate installed. Dem also reported that the broken sensors noted last month have been repaired.
- B. Mike asked that area at the Mossy Branch gate be sprayed to eradicate weeds as we plan the landscaping in this area.
- C. Irrigation in some areas appears to have been running during the rainy weather. Please have the shutoffs checked during the next wet check. Also, please ask

that Steve and Mary Paige be added to the distribution list of future wet check reports. We would also like a copy of the irrigation map.

- D. Once again, ArtisTree was asked to address the vegetation that is extending past the preserve and encroaching the turf on Discovery east.
- E. Steve noted the vast number of weeds overrunning some beds even as the rainy weather abates. Beds should be maintained better than this! Also, as some residents are voluntarily removing unsightly weeds from the beds, it would be appropriate for ArtisTree employees to pick up any piles during their visits to the community.
- F. Steve also noted some mowers are running over the irrigation heads. Please have the mowers pay attention.
- G. Please direct employees not to touch the hedge along the south wall until they have met with Steve.
- H. To obviate miscommunication with ArtisTree, we are working toward a yearly plan of annual rotations and will specify the installation date.

VIII. CHAIRMAN UPDATE.

- A. The following projects have been completed: Sylvester Palm at Winding Stream median. Foxtails at front entrance monuments, including the edging at the northernmost Foxtail, UMRR south perennials, Whooping Crane cul-de-sac, and SE Corner balustrade power washed. Given placement of the most northern Foxtail, Nancy commented prior to this meeting that the preexisting overhanging palm may need to be pruned to avoid interference. Also, Crosspoint is checking the recently installed palms for irrigation issues.
- B. The next annual rotation (red and green coleus) will be installed on October 14 with removal of the current plants immediately prior. Because of the number of weeds currently in the annual beds, Dona questioned Dem about removing the current annuals a week or so prior and spraying beds to minimize invasive weeds, but Dem assured us their weeding the beds thoroughly prior to placing the new plants should suffice. Dem was reminded to have the plants thoroughly watered before they are planted and to fertilize before application of fine pine.
- C. The hedge at the lift station between holes 5 and 6 has been removed in preparation for new equipment. The hedge will be replaced after the new equipment has been installed.
- D. Information about the following FY 2022 projects will be gathered for discussion at the November 2021 meeting: Winding Stream berm, golf course parking lot, SE corner magnolias, entrance fountains, and oak tree trimming.

IX. GENERAL MANAGER UPDATE

- A. The CDD Board approved the \$10,000 lighting proposal from Giella Designs, LLC. Installation will begin in October and will be completed by Thanksgiving weekend.
- B. Mulch has been approved and will be installed in mid-November. The order represents an increase from prior years.

- C. Quotes have been requested for power washing of curbs and gutters that is to be completed before the holidays. Upright structures covered in mold, etc., will also be cleaned.
- D. ArtisTree quote #18987 for material to be placed at the SE corner was approved by the committee. However, it will not be presented to the CDD Board for approval until Nancy can weigh in on the timing of this project (before or after magnolias are installed behind the monument). ArtisTree will be asked if the pricing will be the same if the project is held for 60-90 days.
- E. ArtisTree quote #18986 is for plant material to fill in the landscape easement furthest west from the monument. While inexpensive, areca palms are not without need for maintenance for optimal appearance. Simpson Stopper and Viburnum were discussed as alternatives. This is on hold pending decision about installation of magnolias.

X. LIASON COMMENTS

In addition to his participation throughout, Dick Carroll emphasized his opinion that a representative from the other parts of the CDD (e.g., The Watch) should attend the Landscape Committee meetings, especially when there is an issue to be addressed.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS/COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- A. A representative from The Watch II has contacted us about a tree that extends from the preserve, shadowing and thereby killing a section of turf. The standard procedure for these issues is that residents are responsible for trimming public vegetation that extends onto their property. It is acknowledged, however, that we are both part of the same CDD, and Dick and Mike will be meeting with this representative to see what, if any, accommodations can be made.
- B. The cul-de-sac where the palm was struck by lightning and will be replaced will also be planted with philodendron in the spring.
- C. Preserves fronting public areas were discussed, specifically the weeds that seem to be overtaking some areas along WLB. The preserves are protected, but we should be able to address problematic growth.
- D. Briefly discussed were the plans for the golf club parking lot, but this was considered a moot point until the hardscape nears completion.

XII. Members were reminded to check CDD email regularly, and the Sunshine Law was reiterated.

XIV. The next Landscape Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 5, 2021.

XV. Dona moved that the meeting be adjourned, which was seconded by Angela and unanimously approved at 4:10 p.m.