



COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Vistoso Community Association

Parks and Landscaping Committee Minutes – October 6, 2022

Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Susan Wood, Sheryl Forte, Joan Sauer, Lynn Huebner, and Debbie Gann

FIRST SERVICE RESIDENTIAL: Priscilla Harris, Assistant Community Manager and Barbara Daoust, General Manager

Guests: Hanna Delosantos, AAA Landscape, Tracy Phillips, Finance Committee, and Gayle Lopez, VCA Board President

I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at approximately 3:15 p.m.

II. ADOPT THE AGENDA

A motion to modify the agenda to move Siena Entrance to the top of the agenda was made by Sheryl Forte and seconded by Debbie Gann. Motion carried unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF September 1, 2022, MINUTES

A motion to approve August 4, 2022, minutes was made by Sheryl Forte and seconded by Debbie Gann with the addition to Item B: New Business; clarifying that the tree removed behind 763 E Haa Valley Ct was dead and removed due to the health of the tree. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Opening Remarks – Susan Wood

Susan advised the members of the Siena Community that they will present first and provided a brief overview of the condition of the fountain, landscaping, and entry gate at the Siena entrance.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Siena Community Entrance Refresh

*The committee reviewed photos of the entrance of Siena as well as the 2023 Reserve Study for Siena. Homeowners present from the Siena Community expressed a desire to improve the conditions of the entrance signage, and landscape and restore the fountain. Gayle Lopez provided insight on the VCA Reserve Study and educated on water usage affiliated with the fountain. Susan Wood expressed interest in receiving multiple bids to see if retaining or replacing the fountain would be economically and ecologically beneficial for the community. General Manager provided information regarding attempts made to repair the fountain, and that management has attempted to receive bids to repair the fountain and estimated \$4,000 - \$6,000 to repair and refresh the fountain. **A motion was made by Susan Wood and seconded by Debbie Gann to direct staff to obtain bids to refresh the Siena entrance signage, landscape, gate, and fountain with a focus on water conservation and the natural desert landscape to provide a cost-effective and attractive entrance for the Siena Community. Motion carries.***

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Update on Removal and Replacement of Trees at Hohokam Park

AAA Landscape advised they must review water logistics for tree removal and replacement to ensure the new trees take root. AAA shall wait to plant the trees to prevent damage to the winter rye newly seeded in October. The trees shall remain half Desert Willow and half Swan Hill Olive. AAA Landscaping crews shall monitor the tree and remove branches as needed.

B. Updates on Valley Vista Tree Removal

AAA Landscape advised the tree was removed and is no longer under warranty with the builder. AAA Landscape advised that Valley Vista has several trees that died shortly after the VCA took over. AAA Landscape shall provide a list of all trees removed since the VCA took over and the committee shall determine the common areas in need of trees.

C. Updates on the 2022 Reserve Projects

Shade sails for Hohokam, Sunset Ridge, Torreno, and Wildlife Ridge Parks arrived, and successfully installed. The Torreno Park shade sail was vandalized and quickly repaired. Additional protections on the mounts were provided by Third Degree Recreation to prevent future vandalism. Hohokam and Wildlife Ridge Park playgrounds received new playground surfaces for both parks during the sail shade installation. The park furniture is pending a shipping date.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tree Removal – Common area behind 13514 N Atalaya Wy

A motion was made by Sheryl Forte and seconded by Lynn Huebner to not recommend the request to remove the common area tree behind 13514 N Atalaya Wy. The tree is in a Natural Area Open Space and is apart of the natural desert landscape. The tree is in good health, 10 feet away from the closest point of the rear wall and poses no health or safety risk to the lot.

B. Moore Loop Park Opening

Assistant Manager provided the committee with details on an upcoming community wide event. A grand opening of the park located off Moore Loop Rd. The event will take place on November 12th from 9 AM to 11 AM. The Assistant Manager, Susan Wood, Chair, and Gayle Lopez, VCA President shall meet on 10/13/22 for event planning. Assistant Manager invited committee members and to email her directly at priscilla.harris@fsresidential.com to volunteer for the event.

II. Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sheryl Forte and seconded by Debbie Gann at approximately 4:21 p.m. Motion was carried unanimously.

III. NEXT MEETING DATE – Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 3:15 p.m.