

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Vistoso Community Association
Parks and Landscaping Committee Minutes – May 4th, 2023
Via Zoom

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

FIRST SERVICE RESIDENTIAL: Priscilla Harris, Assistant Community Manager

Guests: Hanna Delosantos with AAA Landscape

- 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 add Wildlife Warning Signage to the new business. A motion to amend the agenda was made by Joan Sauer and seconded by Debbie Gann. Motion carried unanimously.
- III. **APPROVAL OF March 2, 2023, MINUTES**
A motion to approve the April 6, 2023, minutes was made by Joan Sauer and seconded by Lynn Huebner. Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. **Opening Remarks – Susan Wood**
Susan Wood, Chair, welcomed the two newest members of the committee, Susan Osiago and Linda Corsey. The new members were informed of meeting frequency, meeting preparation, AAA Landscape Report, meeting decorum, Robert's Rules of Order, and encouraged the new members to sit in on ALRC and future Board meetings. Susan Wood also informed the committee of the availability of hybrid meetings.
- V. **Guest Forum**
No guests were present, and no one requested to speak.
- VI. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. **AAA Landscape Report**
AAA Reported on the turf located at Wildlife Ridge Park, Tangerine & Oracle Monuments are coming out of dormancy and will be fully green within a couple of weeks. AAA shall address any dry spots on the turf as the new turf sprouts. The remaining common area turf was transferred from winter rye to Bermuda. A dead tree was removed from the Eagles Summit entry. Joan Sauer informed AAA of a new local fungi that is killing local trees. The most common threat to common area trees is currently the Palo Verde beetle. One saguaro was lost at the Tangerine West monument due to necrosis. A saguaro located inside the median near Honey Bee Ridge is currently being treated for necrosis. Common area agaves are blooming, AAA is treating upward to 250 agaves. RVB and Innovation Parkway are the areas most in need of agave treatment.
 - B. **Siena Fountain Landscape**
A discussion occurred, and the committee reviewed past bids and the most recent bid provided by AAA Landscape. A motion to direct AAA Landscape to provide an update bid that does not include Yucca removal, yucca replacement, and instead trims the Yuccas, but keep the ground landscaping and hardscaping the same as the most recent bid. The update bid shall go to the Committee for review was made by Linda Corsey and seconded by Sheryl Forte. Motion carried unanimously.
 - C. **Tangerine & Oracle Monuments**
The Assistant Manager provided an update on the Tangerine and Oracle Monuments. The Assistant Manager advised the Committee that an RFP was generated and sent to four vendors. The vendors have until 5/19/2023 to reply to the RFP, the Assistant Manager shall provide an update at the next meeting.
 - D. **Tree Removal Requests**

- **12158 N Legacy Pl** – The committee reviewed photos and report from AAA Landscape, and no roots were found from any common area tree near the rear wall of 12158 N Legacy Pl. The speculated damage is not from VCA Common Area. This information and photos were provided to the owner.
- **326 W Klinger Canyon** – The committee viewed photos and a report from AAA Landscape showing roots encroaching on the rear wall of 326 W Klinger Canyon Dr. **A motion to direct AAA Landscape to cut 6-8 inches of root away from the wall and install a root barrier to prevent further growth was made by Sheryl Forte and seconded by Lynn Huebner. Motion carried unanimously.**

E. 27 Mile Trail and Erosion Remediation

Susan Wood provided an update on her walk through with Dan Sturmon, Joe Affinati, and representative from the WLB Group. Susan Wood advised after their walk through they determined that the trail entry was too steep and they will relay this feedback to the VCA Board of Directors for further decision.

F. Wildlife Fencing Project

Susan Wood provided an update on her walk through with Dan Sturmon, Joan Sauer, General Manager, Assistant Manager, and Civil Engineer, Cheryl Huelle. The temporary nursery of plants removed during the fencing project along Big Wash Overlook Pl and Scenic Overlook Pl. The plants remaining are 11 candelilla/1 dead, 4 golden barrel cacti, 27 prickly pear, 12 agave/ 4 dead, 2 saguaros (struggling), 3 Parryi agave, 4 Blue Elf aloe, 1 dead beaver tail. The Board and Committee members present suggested adding a cat claw acacia to the new barrier wall of both Big Wash Overlook Pl and Scenic Overlook Pl, it was determined this would transfer ownership and responsibility of the walls maintenance and repairs to the VCA. The Committee directed AAA Landscape to proceed with restoring the landscape avoiding the central median, fencing, and avoiding TOV right aways as much as possible.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tree Addition Requests

- **12455 N Wayfarer Way**

A discussion occurred, and the committee reviewed photos supplied by the Owner and aerial recorder maps. **A motion to direct AAA Landscape to investigate the area and trees suitable to plant and provide a bid for tree replacement to the Committee for review was made by Linda Corsey and seconded by Sheryl Forte. Motion carried unanimously.**

B. Wildlife Warning Signage

A discussion occurred regarding liability and the need for signage. The committee reviewed emails from various members and reviewed examples of Wildlife Warning Signage. **A motion to not recommend Wildlife Warning Signage on VCA Common Area was made by Lynn Huebner and seconded by Sheryl Forte. Motion carried unanimously.**

VIII. Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Susan Wood and seconded by Sheryl Forte at approximately 5:20 p.m. Motion was carried unanimously.

IX. NEXT MEETING DATE – Thursday, June 1, 2023, at 3:15 p.m.