

<u>Parks and Landscaping Committee Minutes – August 28th, 2023</u> Via Zoom

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

FIRST SERVICE RESIDENTIAL: Priscilla Harris, Assistant Community Manager

Guests: Dan Sturmon, VCA Board Secretary and Chris Waters, Estimator with All Terrain Landscape

I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:00 a.m.

II. ADOPT THE AGENDA

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Susan Wood and seconded by Debbie Gann. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Opening Remarks – Susan Wood

Susan Wood provided context regarding the VCA Entry Monuments at Tangerine/RVB and Oracle/RVB. Susan advised that the initial inquiry into repairing the monuments and reducing water consumption began in late 2018. She advised that at that point in time the monuments were using 657,00 gallons of water annually and plants were required to be replaced three times annually. Susan reviewed the budget allocation for the monuments and advised that the project is repair and replacement of existing elements present at the monuments.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Tangerine Monuments

a) Signage

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to reuse the existing "Rancho Vistoso" lettering and logo and to repair the lettering and logo as needed at the East and West Tangerine Monuments.

b) Lighting

The committee advised All Terrain Landscape that the VCA will contract with Mountain Power to refurbish and repair the existing lighting, replace the existing Halogen bulbs with LED Bulbs that shall meet TOV and Dark Sky Lighting regulations at the East and West Tangerine Monuments.

c) Plant Selection

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to replace and replenish lost plantings with drought resistant plants that are natural to the area for the East and West Tangerine monuments. Plants shall not exceed 40 for both Tangerine East and West and shall include 11 decorative boulders per side.

d) Turf

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to remove the existing turf at the Tangerine East and West monuments, grade for drainage, and add a decorative accent of artificial.

e) Hardscape – Riprap & Decorative Rock

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to remove the existing turf at the Tangerine East and West monuments and replace it with a rip rap swale, decorative rock, decorative boulders all hardscaping elements shall be in neutral, desert tones.

f) Elevation & Stonework

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to raise and repair the existing masonry with the existing "Rancho Vistoso" lettering and logo at the Tangerine East and West monuments with the addition of a stonework cap and a rustic metal backing for the "Rancho Vistoso" lettering and logo. Metal work shall be done by a third-party contractor.

g) Irrigation

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to contract AAA Landscape to repair and replace existing irrigation lines and reduce irrigation at the existing turf area at the Tangerine East and West monuments. Final irrigation placement for new plantings and capping of the turf shall be completed by All Terrain Landscape.

B. Oracle Monuments

a) Signage

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to reuse the existing "Rancho Vistoso" lettering and logo and to repair the lettering and logo as needed at the North and South Oracle monuments.

b) Lighting

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to keep the existing lighting plans as-is, with no modification at the North and South Oracle monuments.

c) Plant Selection

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to replace and replenish lost plantings with drought resistant plants that are natural to the area as well as add drought resistant plants in the swap area, and to replace and irrigation as needed for the North and South Oracle monuments. Plants shall not exceed 30 for both North and South Oracle monuments and shall include 3-5 decorative boulders per side.

d) Turf

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to remove the existing turf and grade for drainage at the North and South Oracle monuments.

e) Hardscape – Riprap & Decorative Rock

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to remove the existing turf at the North and South Oracle monuments and replace it with a rip rap swale, decorative rock, decorative boulders all hardscaping elements shall be in neutral, desert tones.

f) Elevation & Stonework

The committee directed All Terrain Landscape to add a rustic metal overlay to the existing stonework using the metal overlay to effectively raise the "Rancho Vistoso" lettering and logo at the North and South Oracle monuments; the existing stonework shall be repaired as needed. Metal work shall be done by a third-party contractor.

g) Irrigation

The committee advised All Terrain Landscape that AAA Landscape to repair and replace existing irrigation lines and reduce irrigation at the existing turf area at the North and South Oracle monuments. Final irrigation placement for new plantings and capping of the turf shall be completed by All Terrain Landscape.

- **II. Adjournment** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sheryl Forte and seconded by Joan Sauer at approximately 10:29 a.m. Motion was carried unanimously.
- **III. NEXT MEETING DATE –** Thursday, September 7, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.