

OPEN MEETING

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, December 14, 2022 – 1:30 P.M. BOARD ROOM / VIRTUAL MEETING Laguna Woods Village Community Center 24351 El Toro Road

<u>REPORT</u>

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair – Juanita Skillman, Yvonne Horton, Lenny Ross, Ira Lewis, Diane Casey, Jules Zalon

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Egon Garthoffner, Maggie Blackwell, Elsie Addington, Bunny Carpenter, Kay Havens (El Toro Water District Board of Directors)

ADVISORS PRESENT: Catherine Brians

STAFF PRESENT: Kurt Wiemann, Jayanna Abolmoloki

- **1. Call Meeting to Order** Chair Skillman called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.
- 2. Acknowledgment of Media No press was present.
- 3. Approval of the Agenda

Director Casey made a motion to approve the agenda. Director Horton seconded. The committee was in unanimous support.

- **4.** Approval of the Meeting Report for September 14, 2022 The report was approved without objections.
- 5. Committee Chair Remarks

Chair Skillman wished the audience happy holidays, and also stated that some wonderful reports are on the meeting agenda.



6. Department Head Update

6a. Update on Master Control Irrigation System

Mr. Wiemann stated that the implementation of the new system should be complete by mid-summer 2023.

6b. Update on Aliso Creek

Mr. Wiemann discussed the presentation provided in detail. Mr. Wiemann also reviewed several slides depicting the completion of Gate One's replanting project.

Members made comments and asked questions.

Items for Discussion and Consideration

7. Member Comments (Items Not on the Agenda)

Several members made comments and asked questions. Topics included:

- Grasses and carbon emissions
- Willow trees in Aliso Creek
- Wet leaves and removal methods

8. Response to Members Comments

Mr. Wiemann responded to member comments.

9. Transforming Landscapes: Sustainable Landscapes – presented by Kay Havens

Ms. Havens shared the presentation in detail with the committee.

Members made comments and asked questions.

Concluding Business:

10. Committee Member Comments

Mr. Wiemann invited members to attend future Third and United meetings that will be featuring special presentations highlighting the Urban Forest project.

Chair Skillman requested that members contact her if they are interested in touring local sustainable gardens.

Director Blackwell suggested that the presentation Kay Havens shared with the committee should be made available through What's Up in the Village.



11. Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

12. Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Juenita Skillman, Chair

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