

# **OPEN MEETING**

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE THIRD LAGUNA HILLS MUTUAL LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

# Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 1:30p.m. BOARD ROOM/VIRTUAL MEETING Laguna Woods Village Community Center, 24351 El Toro Road

## **REPORT**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair- Ira Lewis, Ralph Engdahl, Mark Laws

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Jules Zalon

OTHERS PRESENT: None

ADVISORS PRESENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Kurt Wiemann, Megan Feliz, Jayanna Abolmoloki

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Lewis called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

Director Laws made a motion to approve the agenda. Director Engdahl seconded. The meeting agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

#### 3. Approval of the September 7, 2023 Report

Director Laws made a motion to approve the meeting report. Director Engdahl seconded. The committee was in unanimous support.

#### 4. Remarks of the Chair

Chair Lewis had no remarks.

#### 5. Department Head Update

Mr. Wiemann informed the Committee that crews are currently mowing twice per month.

# 5a. Project Log

Mr. Wiemann discussed the provided Project Log in detail. Members made comments and asked questions.

# 5b. Water Use Comparison

Mr. Wiemann asked if the Committee had any questions on the report; none were asked.

## 5c. Tree Work Status Report

Mr. Wiemann asked if the Committee had any questions on report; none were asked.

# 6. Member Comments

Four comments were made. Topics included the following:

- Fruit trees
- Overgrown trees
- Unit specific landscaping requests

## 7. Response to Member Comments

Mr. Wiemann and members of the Committee responded to the comments.

## 8. Items for Discussion and Consideration

# 8a. Tree Removal Request: 3135-B

Director Laws made a motion to accept staff recommendation to approve the removal of one Canary Island Pine Tree located at 3135-B. Director Engdahl seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **8b. Fruit Tree Policy**

Director Laws made a motion to approve the Fruit Tree Policy with adjustments discussed among the Committee. Chair Engdahl seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

# 8c. Owl Box Pilot Program

Discussion ensued among the Committee.The Committee directed staff to bring an analysis on cost per box installation and potential locations where to install using the current bait box locations and any other pertinent information gathered from informed sources.

the project with comparison to bait boxes to the next meeting

# 8d. Two Wildflower Pilot Programs

Discussion ensued among the Committee. They agreed to disregard picture number two, due to specifics of the location. The Committee directed staff to write a report on the potential project with photos of the area, and cost details to the next meeting.

## 8e. 90% Draft Urban Forest Management Plan

Mr. Wiemann informed the Committee that the 100% draft will be distributed to them as soon as it is available to prepare for discussion and a vote at the next meeting.

# 8f. Landscape Manual

Committee directed staff to have it reviewed by Ellyce Rothrock, Media and Communications Manager, and bring it back to next meeting for discussion.

## 9. Items for Future Agendas

- Landscape Manual
- Owl Boxes
- Wildflower Pilot Program
- Urban Forest Management Plan

# **10. Committee Member Comments**

No comments were made.

**11. Date of Next Meeting:** Thursday, November 2, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

## 12. Adjourned at 2:56 p.m. to closed session

Ira Lewis

Ira Lewis, Chair Kurt Wiemann, Staff Officer Megan Feliz, Landscape Administrative Assistant 949-268-2565