

REGULAR MEETING THIRD LAGUNA HILLS MUTUAL LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 7, 2022 – 9:30 a.m. BOARD ROOM/VIRTUAL Laguna Woods Village 24351 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA

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AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Acknowledgment of Media
- Approval of the Agenda
- 4. Approval of Meeting Report for March 3, 2022
- 5. Chair Remarks
- 6. Department Head Update
 - a. Project Log
 - b. Tree Work Status Report
- 7. Member Comments (Items Not on the Agenda)
- 8. Response to Member Comments

Items for Discussion and Consideration

- 9. Tree Removal Request: 2305-A Via Puerta One Jacaranda Tree
- 10. Tree Removal Request: 3028-A Calle Sonora One American Sweetgum Tree
- 11. Revised Tree Removal Request: 3515-B Bahia Blanca West One Weeping Bottlebrush tree
- 12. Landscape Revision Request: 4006-1C Calle Sonora Oeste
- 13. Landscape Revision Request: 5191 Duenas

Future Agenda Items

Concluding Business:

- 11. Committee Member Comments
- 12. Date of Next Meeting Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.
- 13. Adjournment

Lynn Jarrett, Chair Kurt Wiemann, Staff Officer Eve Morton, Landscape Coordinator Telephone: 949-268-2565



OPEN MEETING

REGULAR MEETING OF THE THIRD LAGUNA HILLS MUTUAL LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 3, 2022 – 1:30 P.M.
BOARD ROOM/VIRTUAL MEETING
Laguna Woods Village Community Center 24351 El Toro Road

REPORT

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair- Lynn Jarrett, Annie McCary, Ralph Engdahl, Donna Rane-Szostak

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT Nathanial Ira Lewis

OTHERS PRESENT:

ADVISORS PRESENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Kurt Wiemann, Eve Morton

1. Call to Order

Chair Jarrett called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Acknowledgement of Media

No media was present.

3. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus.

4. Approval of the February 3, 2022 Report

The report was approved by consensus.

5. Committee Chair Remarks

Chair Jarrett stated that with the drought tolerant landscaping requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

She has noticed that behind some of the three-story buildings in Gate 14, some people have made themselves gardens with brick walls around them. This is using common area which is not allowed. Additionally, hoses are used to water these gardens which heightens potable water use.

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The new process for Members to request installing stepping stones is now on the website under the Landscape Activities page.

6. Department Head Update

The stepping stone policy is on the website and does require filling out a Landscape Request Form and then returning that to Resident Services.

If residents would like to request to change plants around their home to drought tolerant plants, please fill out a Landscape Request Form, along with a drawn plan of what you would like to do, and a list of plants you would like to use.

6a. Project Log

Mr. Wiemann reviewed the Project Log information with the committee and answered some questions.

6b. Tree Work Status Report

Mr. Wiemann reviewed this report with the committee.

6c. Water Heater Cabinet Landscaping Update

In February meeting, a resident stated that water heaters were not hidden with landscaping and policies state that landscaping should be used to improve the aesthetics caused by the alterations. Mr. Wiemann has directed staff to address the issue when they are on their regularly scheduled maintenance cycles.

7. Member Comments (Items Not on the Agenda)

A Member felt her neighbor was doing more with her landscape alteration than what was approved. Mr. Wiemann will have staff follow up and contact the resident if necessary.

8. Response to Member Comments

See above.

Consent:

None

Items for Discussion and Consideration

9. Tree Removal Request: 3320-B Bahia Blanca W. - One Indian Laurel Fig Tree

Director McCary made a motion to accept staff recommendation and deny this request. Director Rane-Szostak seconded. The committee was in unanimous support.

10.Tree Removal Request: 3515-B Bahia Blanca W. – One Weeping Bottlebrush Tree

The resident making this request was present at the meeting. Discussion ensued.

Director McCary made motion to table this matter and to ask Mr. Wiemann's staff to re-inspect this tree. Director Rane-Szostak seconded. The committee was in unanimous support.

Future Agenda Items

Concluding Business:

11. Committee Member Comments

Chair Jarrett asked Mr. Wiemann when tree crown reduction is performed. He said it is performed when staff sees a tree is beyond its capacity and has the potential to begin self-shedding. Crown reduction is very expensive.

Director McCary is pleased with quick action taken on starting work to hide unsightly water heaters.

Director Rane-Szostak is pleased that our Members are more involved and sending in questions.

Director Rane-Szostak asked about the contract process. Mr. Wiemann stated that all contracts are put out to bid. Maintenance contracts must be re-bid at least every three years. An annual contract may be renewed twice if the contractor is performing well and agrees to the same pricing.

Director Rane-Szostak asked where people can view the meeting videos. They are on the Village website under archived meeting videos.

Chair Jarrett stated that it was a good meeting and thanked Mr. Wiemann and Ms. Morton for their work.

Mr. Wiemann said he is getting compliments on the Landscape staff and he is glad to see it. Changes are working.

12. Date of Next Meeting - Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

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13. Adjournment at 2:16 p.m.

Lynn Jarrett (Mar 7, 2022 13:58 PST)

Lynn Jarrett, Chair Kurt Wiemann, Staff Officer Eve Morton, Landscape Coordinator – 268-2565

		Third	Third Mutual Landscape Project Log					
			April 2022					
		20	2022 Reserve Fund Projects					
Project	Contractor	Description	Status	Estimated Completion	Completion*	Budget	YTD*	Balance
	Great Scott Tree Services, Inc.	Great Scott Tree Services, The annual program, a combination of contracted work and in-house staff, working on a 5 year	New contracted tree crew in 2022. Scheduled tree work to begin in March.		4%	\$503,120	\$18,546	\$484,574
Tree Maintenance	In-House Tree Crew	species-based trim cycle. Contractor performs mainly scheduled annual maintenance and isolated removals. Staff crew focuses on customer service.	In-House Tree Crew working on resident requests.	Annual Program	17%	\$440,304	\$74,452	\$365,852
Landscape Modernization	Staff	Elimination of highest water using turf areas; replacing with water efficient landscapes.	On-going annual project using in-house crews.	Annual Program	15%	\$162,520	\$24,337	\$138,183
Slope Maintenance Outsourced	Mission Landscape	Annual Maintenance	In progress, on schedule.	Annual Program	%8	\$490,395	\$38,636	\$451,759
Fire Risk Reduction	Mission Landscaping/ Andre Landscape/Staff	Project includes the removal of vegetation with a high risk of fire.	Slope Erosion Scar Evalation at 3420 Calle Azul out to bid. Clear Non-Native Plants from fire areas.	Annual Program	45%	\$180,000	\$80,800	\$99,200

*Completion based upon invoices recieved to-date. In-house expenses as of February 28, 2022.

			Third Mutual Off Scheo	dule Tree Work		
Date	Manor	Description	Tree Type	Labor Hours	Reason	Decision Level
1/3/2022	3530	Removal	Ediable Loquate	2	Resident request	Staff
1/3/2022	3148	Removal	Orange tree	2	Resident request	Staff
1/3/2022	3102	Hanging branch	Ash	2	Hanger in canopy	Staff
1/3/2022	5475	Hanging branch	Rusty Leaf fig	3	Hanger in canopy	Staff
1/3/2022	3407	Hanging branch	Silk Oak	2	Hanger in canopy	Staff
1/3/2022	3148	Removal	Orange tree	1	Resident request	Staff
1/3/2022	3086	Hanging branch	Brazilian Pepper	2	Hanger in canopy	Staff
1/3/2022	3160	Removal	Purple leaf plum	2	Pest	Staff
1/4/2022	2234	Clearance	Fern pine	4	Light clearance	Staff
1/4/2022	3035	Clearance	Carotwood 2	5	End weight	Staff
1/5/2022	3451	Trim	Carrotwood 3	7	Full Trim	Staff
1/5/2022	3457	Trim	Carrotwood	2	Full Trim	Staff
1/6/2022	5342	Removal	Orange tree	2	Resident request	Staff
1/6/2022	5342	Hanging branch	Carrotwood	2	Hanger in canopy	Staff
1/6/2022	5327	Clearance	Fern pine	2	Touching the roof	Staff
1/6/2022	3512	Clearance	Camphor	2	Touching the roof	Staff
1/6/2022	3465	Branch removal	Eucalyptus	5	Storm related	Staff
1/7/2022	3239	Clearance	Brazilian Pepper	2	Touching the roof	Staff
1/7/2022	3396	Trim	Silk Oak	6	Full Trim	Staff
1/7/2022	3474	Hanging branch	Silver Dollar 2	3	Hanger in canopy	Staff
1/7/2022	5345	Removal	Spartan Juniper	3.5	Storm related	Staff
1/9/2022	3312	Clearance	Carrotwood	2	Touching the roof	Staff
1/10/2022	3229	Removal	Brazilian Pepper	6	Storm related	Staff
1/10/2022	3283	Hanging branch	Star Pine	2.5	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
1/10/2022	3101	Trim	Fern pine	4	Full Trim	Staff
1/11/2022	3095	Trim	Stone Pine	3	Full Trim	Staff
1/11/2022	3095	Trim	Lemon Gum	3	Full Trim	Staff
1/11/2022	5527	Clearance	Jacaranda	2.5	Touching the roof	Staff
1/12/2022	3164	Clearance	Carrotwood	3	Touching the roof	Staff
1/12/2022	3151	Clearance	Carolina Cherry	2	Touching the roof	Staff
1/17/2022	5569	Clearance	Canary Island Pine 2	4	Touching the roof	Staff
1/19/2022	3151	Removal	Australian willow	5	Uprooted, weak root system	Staff
1/19/2022	3151	Hanging branch	Silk Oak	2	Hanging branch in Canopy	Staff
1/19/2022	3361	Hanging branch	Star pine	2	Hanging branch in Canopy	Staff
1/19/2022	5515	Removal	Windmill Palm 2	3	Uprooted, weak root system	Staff
1/20/2022	3396	Trim	Silk Oak	3	End weight	Staff
1/20/2022	3421	Clearance	Canary Island Pine 2	4	Touching the roof	Staff
1/26/2022	3424	Trim	Ash	9	Restore after limb loss	Staff
1/26/2022	3424	Trim	Ash		Restore after limb loss Full Trim	Staff
1/27/2022	3322	Trim	Eucalyptus	32		Staff
1/28/2022	3090 4008	Removal Clearance	Bottlebrush	3	Pest bore	Staff Staff
1/31/2022 1/31/2022	5345	Removal	Magnolia Juniper	2 2	Touching the roof Pest red spider mite	Staff
1/31/2022	3283	Removal	Rubber tree	8	Too close to the manor	Staff
1/31/2022	3283	Removal	Pepper	8	Too close to the manor	Staff
2/1/2022	5392	Trim	Eucalyptus	18	Full Trim	Staff
2/1/2022	3071	Clearance	Ficus	2	Touching the roof	Staff
2/1/2022	5506	Trim	Eucalyptus	18	Full Trim	Staff
2/3/2022	2354	Trim	King palms	12	Hanging Branches	Staff
2/3/2022	3242	Clearance	Ficus	2	Touching the roof	Staff
2/4/2022	4005	Clearance	AtlasCedar	4	Touching the roof	Staff
2/4/2022	5368	Hanging branch	Carrotwood	4	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/4/2022	2362	Trim	Stone pine	16	Deadwood and end weight	Staff
2/8/2022	2411	Removal	Pepper	8	Deadwood and decay	Staff
2/8/2022	2411	Removal	Brisbain box	4	Deadwood and decay Deadwood and decay	Staff
2/8/2022	5368	Hanging branch	Carrotwood	2	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/8/2022	2138	Trim	Torulosa	6	End weight	Staff
2/9/2022	5370	Hanging branch	Eucalyptus	2	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/9/2022	5030	Hanging branch	Eucalyptus	6	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/9/2022	2396	Removal	Bottlebrush	6	Split branch no restoration	Staff
2/10/2022	2402	Hanging branch	Ficus	4	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
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2/10/2022	5481	Hanging branch	Star Pine	4	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/10/2022	3430	Hanging branch	Eucalyptus	4	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/10/2022	5536	Hanging branch	Eucalyptus	4	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/10/2022	3145	Hanging branch	Ash	3	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/11/2022	3354	Removal	Bottlebrush	4	Split branch	Staff
2/11/2022	3518	Hanging branch	Bottlebrush	2	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/11/2022	5487	Hanging branch	Carrotwood	3	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/11/2022	5480	Hanging branch	Eucalyptus	3	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/11/2022	5485	Hanging branch	Carrotwood	4	Hanger in Canopy	Staff
2/22/2022	5511	Clearance	Brazilian Pepper	3	clearence trim	Staff
2/22/2022	5345	Clearance	Camphor 2	2	clear from pole light and roof	Staff
2/22/2022	3332	Removal	Monterey Pine	5	dead tree	Staff
2/22/2022	3332	Clearance	Indian Laurel Fig	5	clearence trim	Staff
2/22/2022	3048	Removal	Queen Palm	4	Too close to the manor	Staff
2/22/2022	3358	Clearance	Pink Trumpet	3	clearance trim	Staff
2/22/2022	5509	Hanging branch	Desert Gum	3	limb down	Staff
2/24/2022	3417	Clearance	Canary Pine 2	4	clearence trim	Staff
2/24/2022	3417	Clearance	carrotwood	2	clearence trim	Staff
2/25/2022	2350	Clearance	Chinese flame	2	clearence from bldg	Staff
3/4/2022	5512	Removal	Chitalpa	3	Uprooted, weak root system	Staff
3/7/2022	5185	Removal	maleluca	8	Resident request	Staff
3/7/2022	5185	Clearance	Bottlebrush	2	clearence trim	Staff
3/7/2022	5186	Removal	carrotwood	6	Resident request	staff
3/7/2022	3105	Removal	Catalina Cherry	10	Resident request	Staff
3/7/2022	3131	trim	Carrotwood	4	clearence trim	Staff
3/7/2022	451	Removal	Canary Pine	12	deceased	Staff
3/8/2022	3222	Clearance	carrotwood 2	8	End weight	Staff
3/8/2022	3115	Trim	Brazilian Pepper	18	End weight	Staff
3/9/2022	5564	Clearance	Eucalyptus	3	clearence trim	Staff
3/9/2022	3462	Clearance	California Pepper	2	clearence trim	Staff
3/9/2022	3039	Clearance	Sycamore	2	clearence trim	Staff
3/9/2022	3460	Removal	Willow Tree	9	In Decline and Deceased	Staff
3/9/2022	3489	Hanging branch	Silver Dollar	2	Hanger in canopy	Staff
3/9/2022	3489	Hanging branch	Spotted Gum	2	Hanger in canopy	Staff
3/9/2022	3489	Hanging branch	Eucalyptus	2	Hanger in canopy	Staff
3/9/2022	3422	Hanging branch	Scented Gum	1	Hanger in canopy	Staff
3/9/2022	5563	Trim	Nichol Willow	12	Full Trim	Staff
3/9/2022	3508	Removal	Bronze Loguat	6	In Decline and Deceased	Staff
3/9/2022	3039	Clearance	Sycamore	4	clear from roof	Staff
3/11/2022	5297	Removal	Tangerine tree	2	Resident request	Staff
3/11/2022	5224	Trim	Brazilian Pepper	15	End weight	Staff
3/11/2022	5224	Trim	Carrotwood	15	End weight	Staff
3/11/2022	3508	Removal	Aleppo Pine	8	In Decline and Deceased	Staff
3/14/2022	3508	Removal	Bottlebrush	6	In Decline and Deceased	Staff
3/14/2022	3499	Removal	Victorian 2	6	In Decline and Deceased	Staff
3/14/2022	3508	Trim	Ironbark	3	End weight	Staff
3/14/2022	3419	Trim	carrotwood	4	End weight	Staff
	5120	Trim	Arborvitae	7		Staff
3/14/2022		+			End weight	
3/14/2022	5117	Hanging branch	Monterey Pine	2	Hanger in canopy	Staff
3/16/2022	5225	Trim	Loquat	2	End weight	Staff
3/16/2022	5225	Trim	Carrotwood	3	End weight	Staff
3/16/2022	4007	Clearance	Rusty Leaf fig	2	clear from bldg	Staff
3/16/2022	4007	Clearance	Olive tree	2	clear from bldg	Staff
3/16/2022	4007	Clearance	Silver Dollar	1	clear from bldg	Staff
3/16/2022	2233	Trim	Spanish Dagger	3	End weight	Staff
3/16/2022	5475	Hanging branch	Star Pine	3	Hanger in canopy	Staff
3/16/2022	5475	Hanging branch	Rusty Leaf fig	2	Hanger in canopy	Staff
3/17/2022	3311	Removal	Red Flowering	12	In Decline and Deceased	Staff
3/17/2022	3311	Removal	Aleppo Pine	24	In Decline and Deceased	Staff
3/18/2022	2223	Trim	Rusty Leaf fig	12	End weight	Staff



STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 7, 2022

FOR: Landscape Committee

SUBJECT: Tree Removal Request: 2305-A Via Puerta – One Jacaranda Tree

RECOMMENDATION

Deny the request for the removal of one Jacaranda tree located at 2305-A.

BACKGROUND

The resident at 2305-A purchased the manor in October 2021, and is requesting the removal of one Jacaranda tree, *Jacaranda, mimosifolia,* located at the side of the manor. The reason cited for the removal is liter/debris. There are four additional signatures on the Mutual Request Form in favor of the tree removal and one signature in favor of trimming the tree (Attachment 1).

The tree was last pruned in March of 2020. Future trimming is tentatively scheduled for fiscal year 2023. The height of the tree is approximately 39 feet with a trunk diameter of approximately 14 inches. The tree is growing in the turf area approximately ten feet from the manor's walkway and seven feet from the common walkway (Attachment 2).

DISCUSSION

At the time of inspection, the tree was found to be in fair condition with a favorable trunk flare, no decay, no pest activity, or damage to the trunk.

There are surface roots, however, there was no indication of poor root structure. The tree does have a balanced open canopy.

There was a new walkway installed in January 2019, at a cost of \$1,609. At that time, tree roots were removed.

Resolution 03-21-10 Tree Maintenance Policy states:

 Unless there is a purposeful reason, trees should not be removed merely because they are messy, or because of residents' personal preferences concerning shape, color, size, or fragrance.

It is staffs' opinion that that this tree does not meet the guidelines for removal.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The cost to remove the tree would be approximately \$1,000. The cost to trim the tree would be \$169, and the estimated value of the tree is \$6,080 based on the tree inventory data.

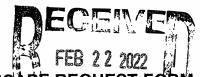
Prepared By: Bob Merget, Landscape Manager

Reviewed By: Kurt Wiemann, Director of Landscape Services

ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment 1: Mutual Landscape Request Form

Attachment 2: Photographs





MUTUAL LANDSCAPE REQUEST FORM

PLEASE NOTE: THIS FORM IS NOT INTENDED FOR ROUTINE MAINTENANCE REQUESTS

For all non-routine requests, please fill out this form. Per the policy of your Mutual, if your request falls outside the scope of the managing agent's authority, it will be forwarded to the Mutual's Landscape Committee for review. If you are unsure whether your request falls into this category, first contact Resident Services at 597-4600 in order to make that determination.

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED REQUEST FORM TO RESIDENT SERVICES.

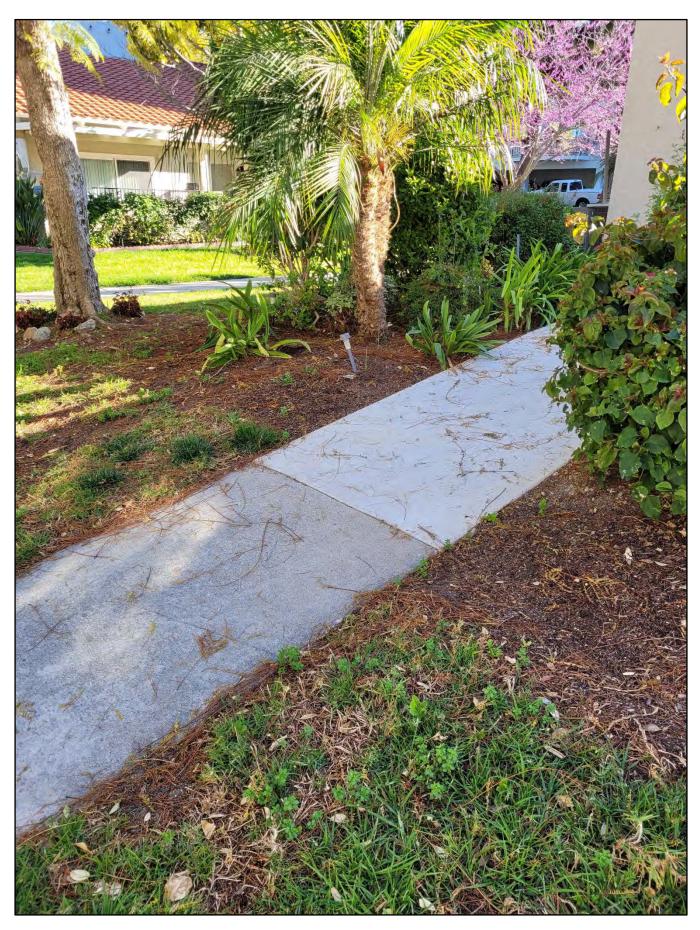
Resident/Owner Inform	nation
You must be an owner to request non-routine Landscape re	equests.
2305 Via Puerta Unit A Address	<u> </u>
Resident's Name	626-780-6936 Telephone Number
Non-Routine Reque	est
Please checkmark the item that best describes your request "Other" and explain.	.,
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☐ Other (explain):	
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Please checkmark the item(s) that best explain the reason	for your request.
☐ Structural Damage ☐ Sewer Damage ☐ Overgrown	☐ Poor Condition
☑ Litter/Debris ☐ Personal Preference	
☐ Other (explain):	
GUIDELINES:	

- <u>Structural/Sewer Damage</u>: Damage to buildings, sidewalks, sewer pipes, or other facilities may justify removal if corrective measures are not practical.
- <u>Overgrown/Crowded:</u> Trees or plants that have outgrown the available space may justify removal.
- <u>Damaged/Declining Health:</u> Trees or plants that are declining in health will be evaluated for corrective action before removal/replacement is considered.
- <u>Litter and Debris:</u> Because all trees shed litter seasonally, generally this is not an adequate reason to justify removal. However, if granted, removal/replacement may be at the resident's expense.
- <u>Personal Preference</u>: Because one does not like the appearance or other characteristics of the tree or plant generally does not justify its removal. However, if granted, removal/replacement is usually at the resident's expense.

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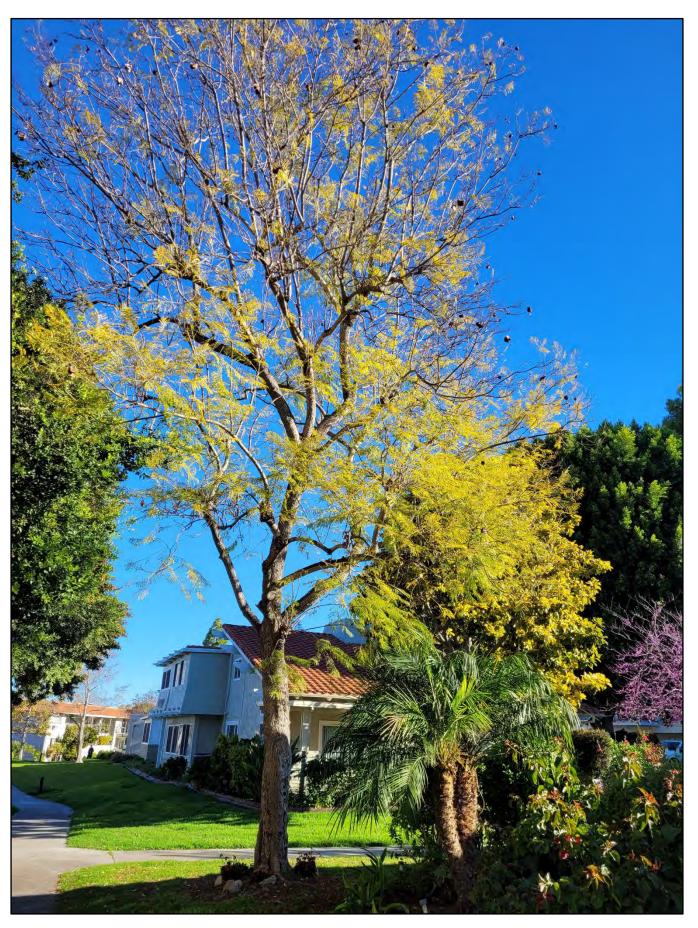
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STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 7, 2022

FOR: Landscape Committee

SUBJECT: Tree Removal Request: 3028-A Calle Sonora – One American Sweetgum

Tree

RECOMMENDATION

Deny the request for the removal of one American Sweetgum tree located at 3028-A.

BACKGROUND

The resident at 3028-A purchased the manor in March 2016, and is requesting the removal of one American Sweetgum tree, *Liquidambar, styraciflua,* located at the front of Manor D. The reasons cited for the removal are liter/debris, stating the seed pods (often referred to as gumballs) make it impossible to use the sidewalk. There are six additional signatures, including Manor D, on the Mutual Request Form in favor of the tree removal (Attachment 1).

The tree was last pruned in April of 2017. Future trimming is tentatively scheduled for fiscal year 2022. The height of the tree is approximately 30 feet with a trunk diameter of approximately 16 inches. The tree is growing in the turf area approximately two feet from the common walkway and six feet from the manor's patio wall (Attachment 2).

DISCUSSION

At the time of inspection, the tree was found to be in fair condition with a favorable trunk flare, some decay, no pest activity, or damage to the trunk.

There are surface roots, however, there was no indication of poor root structure. American Sweetgum are known for surface roots; however, they are typically well attached.

There was no noticeable infrastructure damage.

During the next scheduled trim, staff will thin out and remove several limbs hanging over the sidewalk in an effort to reduce seed pods collecting on the walkway.

Resolution 03-21-10 Tree Maintenance Policy states:

 Unless there is a purposeful reason, trees should not be removed merely because they are messy, or because of residents' personal preferences concerning shape, color, size, or fragrance.

Staff recommends a canopy thinning and reduction and to deny the request for removal.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The cost to remove the tree would be approximately \$1,200. The cost to trim the tree would be \$300 (a one-time additional trimming is recommended), and the estimated value of the tree is \$1,380 based on the tree inventory data.

Prepared By: Bob Merget, Landscape Manager

Reviewed By: Kurt Wiemann, Director of Landscape Services

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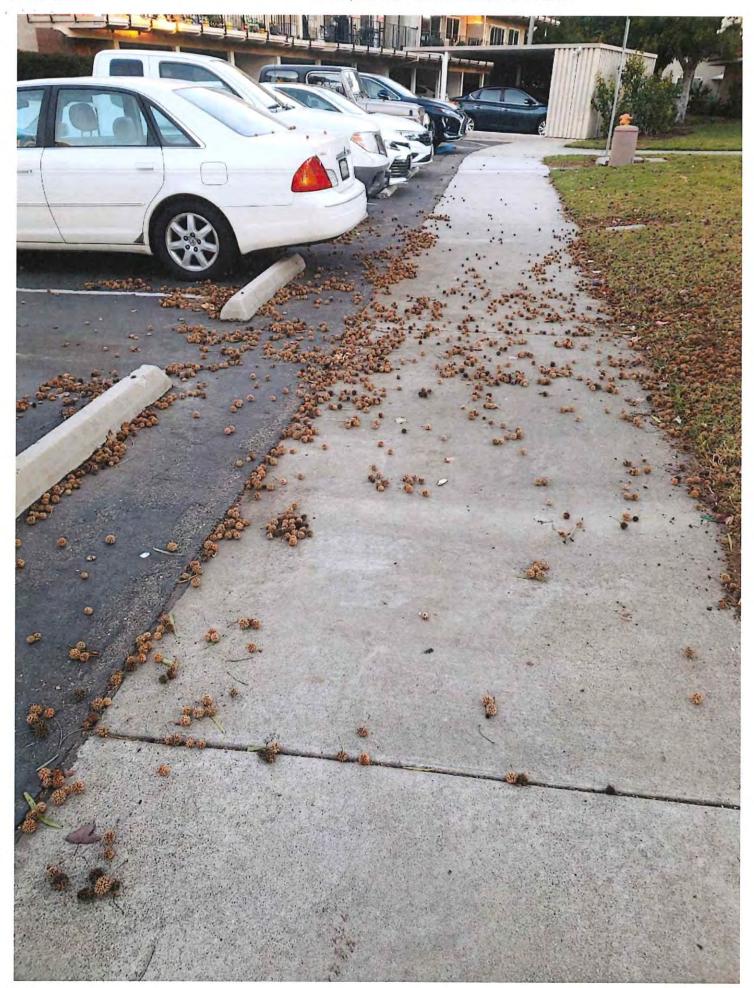
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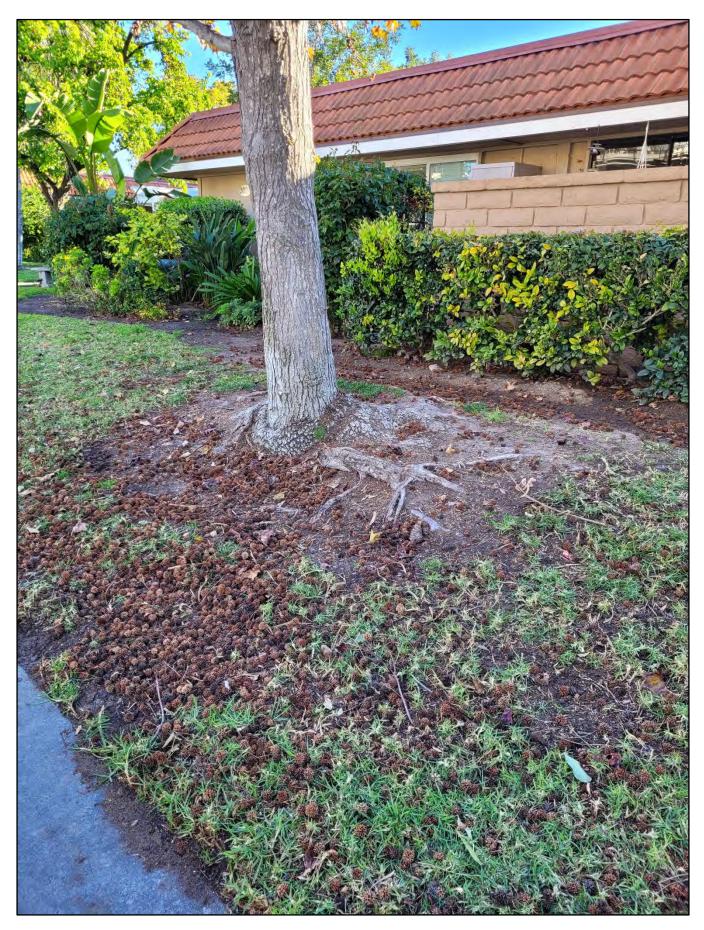
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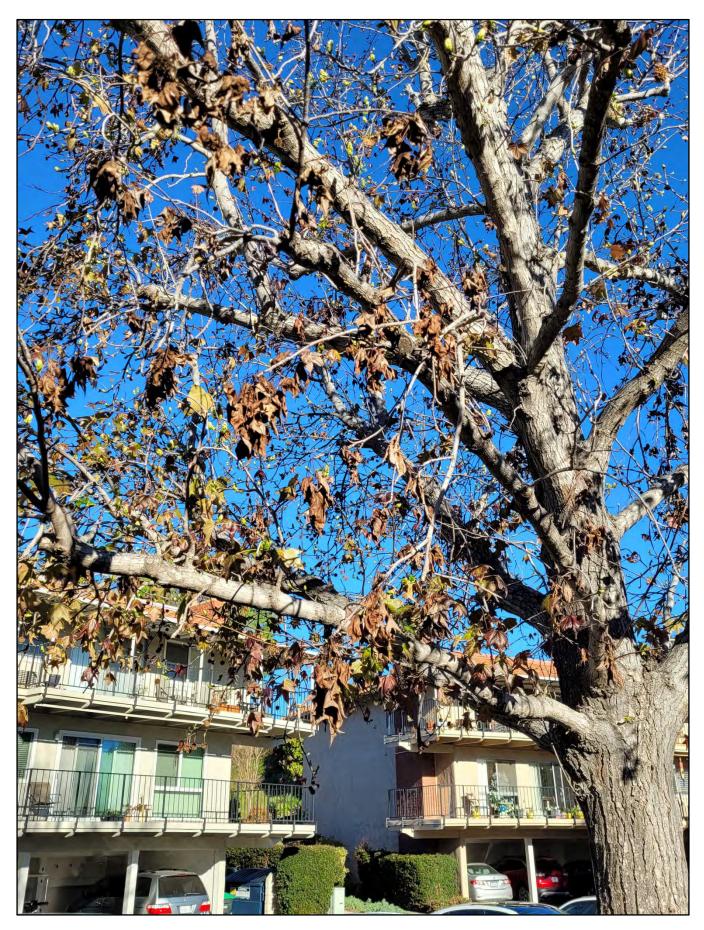
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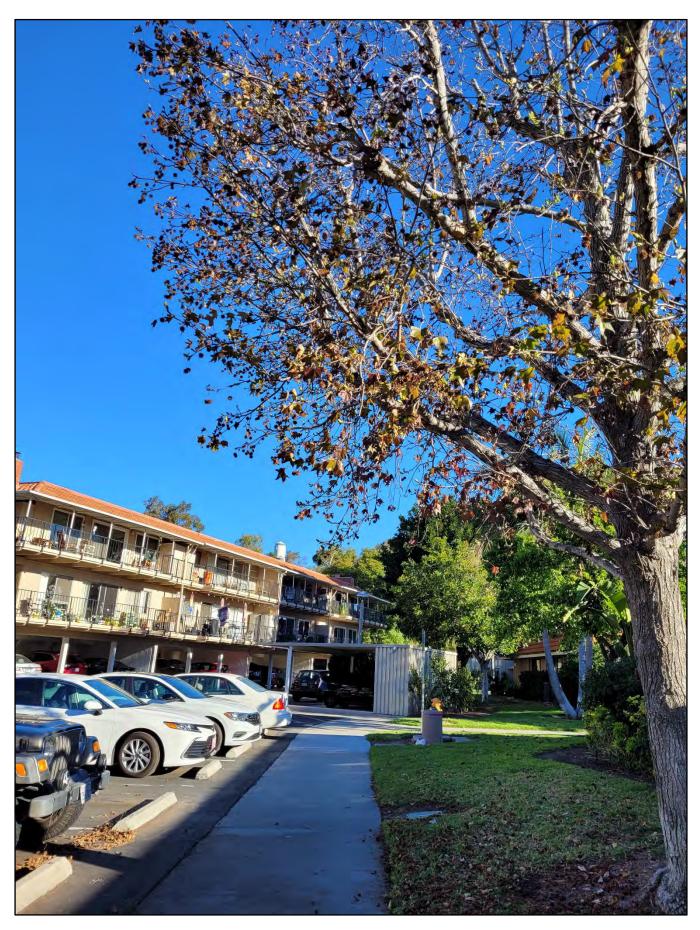
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STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 7, 2022

FOR: Landscape Committee

SUBJECT: Revised Tree Removal Request: 3515-B Bahia Blanca West – One Weeping

Bottlebrush tree

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the request for the removal of one Weeping Bottlebrush tree located at 3515-B.

BACKGROUND

This request was tabled at the last meeting for further inspection.

The resident at 3515-B purchased the manor in September 2019, and is requesting the removal of one Weeping Bottlebrush tree, *Callistemon, spp,* located at the rear of the manor. The reasons cited for the removal are structural damage, overgrown, roots encroaching on tile patio, bees in spring making patio unusable, and gutters getting clogged. Resident also stated his wife is allergic to bees. There are two additional signatures on the Mutual Request Form in favor of the tree removal (Attachment 1).

The tree was last pruned in April of 2021 as an off-schedule clearance trim. Future trimming is tentatively scheduled for fiscal year 2024. The height of the tree is approximately 39 feet with a trunk diameter of approximately 16 inches. The tree is growing in the turf area approximately six feet from the manor's patio wall (Attachment 2).

DISCUSSION

At the March 3, 2022, Landscape Committee meeting, the committee voted unanimously to table this request for removal and direct staff to address remarks made by the requesting resident, which were accompanied by additional pictures and costs for repairs (Attachment 3).

Staff met with the resident onsite and was presented with the additional information. There was major repair and moisture intrusion due to clogged drains. Given the prevailing winds and the major blooms that this tree produces, future drain clogging is likely.

In order to reduce blooms, an annual hard trim of this tree would be necessary. Not only would an annual hard trim not be in the best interest of healthy future growth, it would also be expensive as shown below.

After reviewing the additional information provided by the resident, staff is recommending the removal of the tree and replacing it with a Trumpet tree, *Tabebuia*, *umbellate*, 25 feet from the manor. When mature, this tree will reach 20-25 feet in height.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The cost to remove the tree would be approximately \$1,200. The cost to annually hard trim the tree would be approximately \$450. The estimated value of the tree is \$3,260 based on the tree inventory data. The cost to provide and plant a new 15-gallon sized Trumpet tree is \$199.

Prepared By: Bob Merget, Landscape Manager

Reviewed By: Kurt Wiemann, Director of Landscape Services

ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment 1: Mutual Landscape Request Form

Attachment 2: Photographs

Attachment 3: Additional Information



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- <u>Damaged/Declining Health:</u> Trees or plants that are declining in health will be evaluated for corrective action before removal/replacement is considered.
- <u>Litter and Debris</u>: Because all trees shed litter seasonally, generally this is not an adequate reason to justify removal. However, if granted, removal/replacement may be at the resident's expense.
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Fwd: Tree

Kevin Cryan <kcryan4691@gmail.com>
Wed 3/2/2022 1:59 PM
To: Kevin Cryan <endoftheroad@msn.com>
Thank you

Quick history,

In December we had a very large leak in our kitchen ceiling caused by the front gutter being clogged with debris. Dirt, leaves and branches (according to the roofer). The water went under the tiles and soaked and destroyed the underlayment which had to be replaced. It took 6 weeks and 3 trades from South Coast Restoration before we were back to normal. Remove the drywall, insulation, install new dry wall and insulation and then paint. We were lucky that the electrical fixtures, floor and appliances were not damaged in the kitchen.

The tree in question is very large. Should never have been planted that close to the home. The back gutter is constantly full with the leaves, bottle brush flowers and twigs. The gutter cannot be cleaned without climbing onto the wooden patio cover.

As you can see in the photos-- provided by VMS-- the branches presently are only 3 feet from the roof.

As was stated in the report it was trimmed last April and has grown considerably. With very little breeze the debris blows onto the roof and washes down into the gutters -- again clogging the gutter.

During spring & summer this tree is full of bees making the patio unusable --- my wife cannot get a bee string -- she's allergic, has Afib and a pacemaker.

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WE can plant another one farther away from the home,



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STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 7, 2022

FOR: Landscape Committee

SUBJECT: Landscape Revision Request: 4006-1C Calle Sonora Oeste

RECOMMENDATION

Deny the request to keep revisions made to the landscaping adjacent to 4006-1C.

BACKGROUND

The requesting resident purchased the manor in March of 2019, and is requesting permission to keep the revisions made to the common area landscape adjacent to the subject manor (Attachment 1).

DISCUSSION

The requesting resident is seeking permission to retain a garden area created in common area adjacent to the fence that abuts the slope next to Building 4006 after receiving a Courtesy Notice from Compliance stating that the garden violates Mutual policies.

The resident has created semi-raised planters using stones along the turf side and boards along the fence, behind the Garden Villa building (Attachment 2). During a recent inspection, the plants in place were being watered with a hose connected to the building spigot. This is in addition to the Mutual-owned irrigation. Additionally, the Mutual-owned irrigation there is on a turf cycle which waters too frequently for shrub beds and planters.

The planters should be removed and restored to turf.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

No cost to the Mutual.

Prepared By: Kurt Wiemann, Director of Landscape Services

Reviewed By: Eve Morton, Landscape Coordinator

ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment 1: Mutual Landscape Request Form

Attachment 2: Photos

ATTACHMENT 1

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To all 4006 neighbors,

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Sincerely yours,

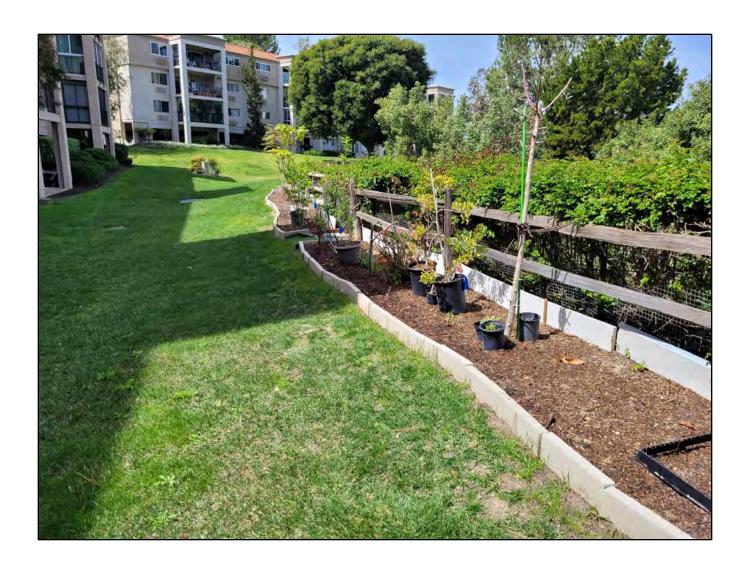
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STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 7, 2022

FOR: Landscape Committee

SUBJECT: Landscape Revision Request: 5191 Duenas

RECOMMENDATION

 Approve the request for revisions to the landscaping adjacent to 5191; to install artificial turf.

Deny the request to install real turf and pavers.

BACKGROUND

The requesting resident purchased the manor in September of 2021, and is requesting permission to revise the common area landscape adjacent to the subject manor (Attachment 1).

DISCUSSION

The requesting resident is seeking permission to replace the existing, previously approved common area revised landscape with turf. The current southwest style landscape contains cactus, succulents, and decomposed granite (DG), all of which was accepted by the owner at resale. The request is to replace the current landscape with turf; either real or artificial.

The existing landscaping, while having been installed correctly and is thriving, is not in harmony with the adjacent landscaping in the cul-de-sac. With the current drought situation, staff is of the opinion, that if the existing landscape is removed, artificial turf is a viable option. It requires no maintenance or irrigation, and will blend in with the adjacent landscaping.

The request for pavers, as they are intended to replace landscaping and provide additional hardscape for the members' use, could be construed as additional exclusive use common area and should be denied. Staff will renovate the area on the right side of the driveway to increase curb appeal.

All work, except for the area Staff will renovate on the right side of the driveway, will be designed, installed, and maintained by the owner. Owner will be responsible for all costs associated with irrigation modifications, performed by staff as a chargeable service.

Resident shall submit working drawings for the turf manufacturer and installer. All work shall be inspected by staff.

Resident understands that the area shall remain common area, subject to the use and passage of all members.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

No cost to the Mutual.

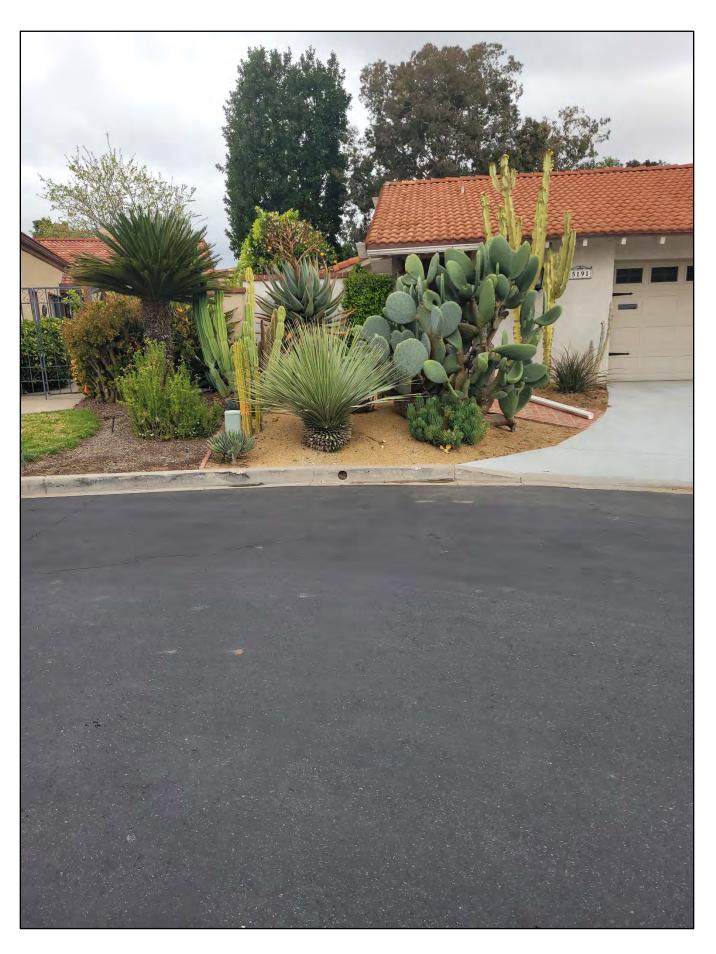
Prepared By: Kurt Wiemann, Director of Landscape Services

Reviewed By: Eve Morton, Landscape Coordinator

ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment 1: Mutual Landscape Request Form

Attachment 2: Proposed Plan



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ATTACHMENT 1

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