



**REPORT OF THE REGULAR OPEN MEETING OF THE
UNITED LAGUNA WOODS MUTUAL
LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE**

**Monday, July 22, 2024 – 1:30 P.M.
24351 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637
Board Room and Virtual with Zoom**

REPORT

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:	Sue Quam – Chair, Anthony Liberatore, Vidya Kale
COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:	None
OTHERS PRESENT:	Maggie Blackwell, Ellen Leonard
ADVISORS PRESENT:	Ann Beltran, Mary Sinclair
STAFF PRESENT:	Kurt Wiemann, Megan Feliz

1. Call to Order

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

2. Acknowledgment of Media

No media were present.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Director Kale made a motion to accept today's agenda; Director Liberatore seconded the motion. Hearing no objection, the agenda was approved unanimously.

4. Approval of the Meeting Report for June 24, 2024

The committee unanimously approved the meeting report.

5. Chair's Remarks

Chair Quam gave a brief introduction and explained how member comments work. She also explained AB 1572 and updated everyone on the status of the 2025 business plan.

6. Department Head Update

6a. Project Log

Mr. Wiemann notified the committee that turf reduction is still in progress, and a rebate will be received after the final measurements are complete. All annual scheduled work is on time. He updated the committee that the mapping project is moving quickly and should be complete by August 1.

6b. Water Use Comparison Chart

Mr. Wiemann explained the charts.

6c. Tree Work Status Report

Mr. Wiemann gave a brief overview.

7. Member Comments (Items not on the agenda)

- One member commented regarding revising the report from the last meeting.
- One member commented on a fig tree.
- One member commented on mulch, tree concerns, and herbicides.
- One member commented on turf reduction concerns.
- Three members commented on AB 1572.
- One member commented on the rising water costs and wildlife crossings in turf areas.
- One member commented on the PAC irrigation system.

8. Response to Member Comments

Mr. Wiemann and the Chair responded to member comments.

Items for Discussion and Consideration

9. 257-C Tree Removal Request

Mr. Wiemann presented a brief overview of the recommendation. Discussion ensued on the tree removal request.

Director Liberatore moved to accept the staff's recommendation to deny the tree removal request; Director Kale seconded the motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

10. 565-A Tree Removal Request

Mr. Wiemann presented a brief overview of the recommendation. Discussion ensued on the tree removal request.

Director Liberatore moved to accept the staff's recommendation to deny the tree removal request; Director Kale seconded the motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

11. 795-C Tree Removal Request

Mr. Wiemann presented a brief overview of the recommendation. Discussion ensued on the tree removal request.

Director Liberatore moved to accept the staff's recommendation to deny the tree removal request; Director Kale seconded the motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

12. 251-A Tree Removal Request

Mr. Wiemann presented a brief overview of the recommendation. Discussion ensued on the tree removal request.

Director Liberatore moved to accept the staff's recommendation to deny the tree removal request; Director Kale seconded the motion. The motion was called to a vote of 1-2-0; Director Kale and Chair Quam opposed it. The tree will be removed.

13.2038-C Landscape Alteration Request

Mr. Wiemann presented a brief overview of the items. He explained to the committee that his staff misinterpreted the turf reduction completed by 2041-C. Staff had approved the turf reduction but failed to properly document it; the resident at 2041-C had approval to perform the alterations in front of the unit.

After the United Board agenda prep meeting, this item was returned to the committee and requested to be separated into two motions. Discussion ensued on both motions.

Chair Quam moved to accept the staff's recommendation to deny the removal of the trellis; Director Kale seconded the motion. The motion was called to a vote of 2-1-0, with Director Liberatore in opposition.

Chair Quam moved to accept the staff's recommendation to deny the request to remove plant material to place a crushed stone pathway; Director Kale seconded the motion. The motion was called to a vote of 2-1-0, with Director Liberatore in opposition.

14. Clipping Ticket Pilot

Mr. Wiemann presented an overview of the pilot program. A discussion ensued regarding alternatives to purchasing plastic bins for clipping. Chair Quam made a motion to ask staff to provide pricing for alternative containers at the next meeting. Director Liberatore seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

15. Committee Charter

The committee reviewed the redline changes to the charter. Chair Quam made a motion to accept the changes to the committee charter; Director Liberatore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Future Agenda Items: *All matters listed under Future Agenda Items are items for a future committee meeting. No action will be taken by the committee on these agenda items at this meeting.*

- AB 1572 Budgeting
- Educating residents on AB 1572
- KPI's


Concluding Business

16. Committee Member Comments

One comment was made.

17. Date of Next Meeting – August 26, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.

18. Recess at 3:21 p.m.


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