

### REGULAR MEETING UNITED LAGUNA WOODS MUTUAL LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

## Monday, June 24, 2024 – 1:30 p.m. BOARD ROOM/VIRTUAL Laguna Woods Village 24351 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA

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# AGENDA

- 1. Call Meeting to Order
- 2. Acknowledgment of Media
- 3. Approval of the Agenda
- 4. Approval of the Meeting Report for May 20, 2024
- 5. Remarks of the Chair
- 6. Department Head Update
  - a. Project Log
  - b. Water Use Comparison Graph
  - c. Tree Work Status Report
- 7. Member Comments (Items Not on the Agenda)
- 8. Response to Member Comments

#### Items for Discussion and Consideration:

- 9. 311-A Tree Removal Request
- 10. 2038-C Landscape Alteration Request
- 11. Committee Charter

<u>Future Agenda Items:</u> 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.

**Concluding Business:** 

- 12. Committee Member Comments
- 13. Date of Next Meeting July 22, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.
- 14. Adjournment

\*A quorum of the United Board, or more, may also be present at the meeting.

Sue Quam, Chair Kurt Wiemann, Staff Officer Megan Feliz, Department Administrative Assistant Telephone: 949-268-2565



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

## Monday, May 20, 2024 – 1:30 P.M. 24351 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637 Board Room and Virtual with Zoom

# <u>REPORT</u>

| COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: | Sue Quam – Chair, Vidya Kale, Anthony<br>Liberatore |
|----------------------------|---|
| COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:  | None  |
| OTHERS PRESENT:            | Ellen Leonard, Mickie Choi Hoe                      |
| ADVISORS PRESENT:          | Ann Beltran   |
| STAFF PRESENT:             | Kurt Wiemann, Megan Feliz                           |
| 1. Call to Order           |   |

Chair Quam called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

# 2. Acknowledgment of Media

No media were present.

#### 3. Approval of the Agenda

Chair Quam requested that Item #18 be moved to after the guest speaker and the committee charter item be moved to the June Meeting. Hearing no objection, the agenda was approved as amended.

# 4. Approval of the Meeting Report for February 26, 2024

The committee unanimously approved the meeting report.

# 5. Chair's Remarks

Chair Quam explained the importance of increasing service levels, AB 1572, and looking to the future during United's budget season.

# 6. Department Head Update

# 6a. Project Log

Mr. Wiemann notified the committee that turf reduction is still in progress in the approved areas and is being done by in-house crews. He informed the committee that all other turf reductions are on hold until the mapping is completed due to AB 1572. Slope renovation is ahead of schedule; they completed all areas and will begin the second rotation in June.

#### 6b. Water Use Comparison Chart

None

#### 6c. Tree Work Status Report

None

## 6d. Quarterly KPI's

Mr. Wiemann gave an extensive quarterly update PowerPoint presentation.

#### 7. Member Comments (Items not on the agenda)

2-member comments were made. Various topics included:

- Fruit Trees
- Land Grabbing of Common Areas
- Trimming of neighbor Shrubs

#### 8. Response to Member Comments

Mr. Wiemann and the Chair addressed some of the member comments.

#### 9. Guest Speaker- Matt Davenport, Monarch Environmental, Inc.

Mr. Davenport addressed to the committee explaining his scope of work for the departmental review, and what he will be doing in the operational review he will be completing.

#### Items for Discussion and Consideration

#### 10. Budget Discussion

Chair Quam made several comments and suggestions on the 2025 landscape

budget. She also asked the committee for direction about the budgets for bench and picnic benches; discussion ensued

#### 11.864-D Tree Removal Request

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

Director Kale moved to accept the staff's recommendation to deny removing all plant material. Director Liberatore seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### 12.544-A Tree Removal Request

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

Director Kale moved to accept the staff's recommendation to approve the tree removal. Director Liberatore seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### 13.945-C Tree Removal Request

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

Director Kale moved to accept the staff's recommendation to approve the tree removal. Chair Quam seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### 14. 321-C Tree Removal Request

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

Director Kale moved to accept the staff's recommendation to approve the tree removal. Chair Quam seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 2-0-1 vote, and Director Liberatore obtained it.

#### 15.2152-B Tree Removal Request

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

Director Liberatore moved to accept the staff's recommendation to deny the tree removal. Chair Quam seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0-1, and Director Kale obtained.

#### 16. B677 Off-Schedule Tree Trimming Request

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

Director Kale moved to accept the staff's recommendation to approve the offschedule trimming of two trees. Director Liberatore seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

## **17. Quality Control Presentation**

Mr. Wiemann presented an extensive PowerPoint presentation on the new quality control position and software.

## **Concluding Business**

#### **18. Committee Member Comments**

Various comments were made.

- 19. Date of Next Meeting June 24, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.
- 20. Adjournment at 3:26 p.m.

Sue Quam (May 25, 2024 10:58 PDT)

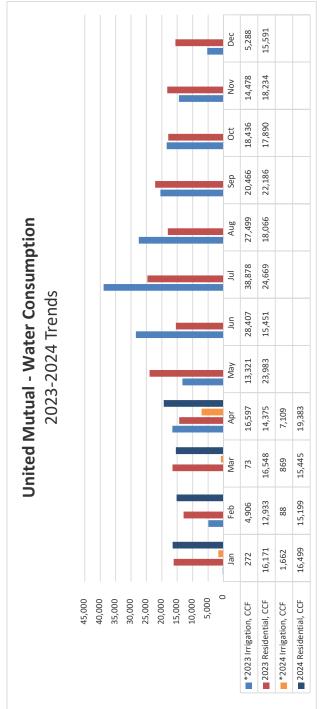
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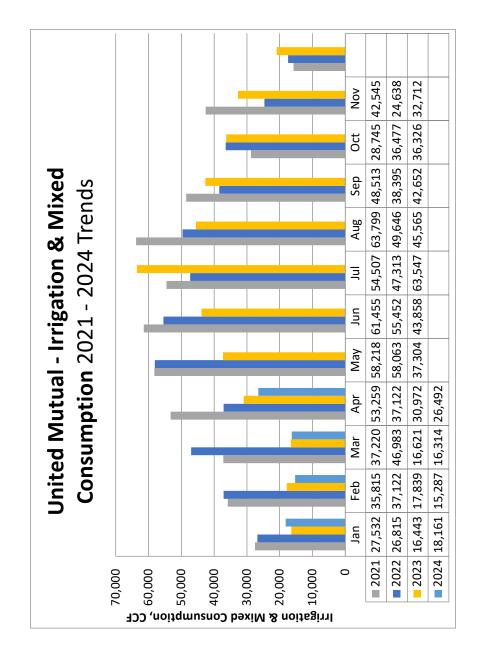
|  |                                    | Unit<br>2024 Re  | United Mutual Landscape Project Log<br>June 24, 2024<br>I Reserve Fund Projects (As of 04/30/2024)   |                 |                         |            |               |                |                    |
|--|------------------------------------|--|--|-----------------|-------------------------|------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Project                                  | Work Unit                          | Description  | Status   | Contract Number | Estimated<br>Completion | Completion | Budget        | YTD*           | Balance            |
|  | 510-Staff                          | Areas to eliminate inefficient maintenance   | Jan. & Feb. Crew replanting shrubs. Turf Reduction<br>Locations approved by Committee 2/26/24. Rebate<br>applications approved, work 95% complete. | n/a             | Annual                  | 27.31%     | \$ 195,857    | \$             | 53,498 \$ 142,359  |
| Landscape Modification/Turf<br>Reduction | 540-Staff                          | and high water useage; replace with easier<br>to maintain/water efficient landscape with<br>low water use irrigation.        | Work to be performed in conjunction with 510-Staff work  | n/a             | Annual                  | 22.01%     | \$ 27,034     | 4 \$ 5,951     | 1 \$ 21,083        |
|  | Contracted                         |  | CDS 51 Landscape Construction Services (Res. 01-23-<br>08 Funds) Rebate inspection pending, work complete  | P100012830      | Complete                | 100.00%    | \$ 35,733     | 3 \$ 35,733 \$ | - \$               |
| Slope Renovation/Maintenance             | Mission Landscape                  | Annual cutting back and removal of<br>vegetation on slopes. Maintenance<br>thereafter.                                       | Renovation Complete, Maintenance on schedule   | MIS106-2201-01  | Annual                  | 33.57%     | \$ 82,759     | 9 \$ 27,784 \$ | t \$ 54,975        |
| Concentration cont                       | Great Scott Tree Services,<br>Inc. | The annual program a combination of<br>contracted work and in-house staff, working<br>on a 6 year species-based trim cycle.  | Contracted tree crews trimmed 1,004 trees, removed 5 and planted 4 trees.  | P100009780      | lound A                 | 30.59%     | \$ 663,588    | \$             | 202,980 \$ 460,608 |
|  | In-House Tree Crew                 | Contractor performs mainly scheduled<br>annual maintenance and isolated removals.<br>Staff crew focuses on customer service. | As of May 31, 2024, the in-house crew trimmed 306 trees and removed 29 trees.  | n/a             | 711144                  | 33.66%     | \$ 401,693 \$ |                | 135,216 \$ 266,477 |

\*Completion based upon invoices received to-date; 6/10/2024

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\* Estimated Irrigation Usage



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| United Mutual Off Schedule Tree Work |       |                 |                          |                   |                         |                |                  |                            |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| Date                                 | Manor | Description     | Tree Type                | Labor Hours       | Reason                  | Decision Level | Replacement Tree | Location of<br>Replacement |
| 5/6/2024                             | 150   | Trim            | 2 Canary Island Pines    | Labor Hours<br>10 | Full Trim               | Staff          | Replacement free | Replacement                |
| 5/6/2024                             | 150   | Trim            | Canary Island Pine       | 5                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/6/2024                             | 150   | Trim            | 2 Canary Island Pines    | 10                | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/6/2024                             | 9     | Removal         | Cajeput                  | 4                 | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/7/2024                             | 469   | Removal         | Brazilian Pepper         | 20                | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/8/2024                             | 409   | Clearance       | California Sycamore      | 3                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  | IBU                        |
| 5/8/2024                             | 408   | Trim            | Phoenix Canariensis      | 9                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/8/2024                             | 202   | Trim            | Pinus Canariensis        | 9                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/8/2024                             | 202   | Trim            | Pinus Canariensis        | 9                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/9/2024                             | 201   | Trim            | Catalina Cherry          | 2                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/9/2024                             | 205   | Trim            | Catalina Cherry          | 2                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/9/2024                             | 205   | Trim            | Catalina Cherry          | 2                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/9/2024<br>5/9/2024                 | 203   | Trim            | Guadalupe Palm           | 3                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/9/2024                             | 2014  | Removal         | Many Volunteers          | 25                | Volunteers              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/9/2024                             | 629   | Hanger          | Silk Oak                 | 3                 | Hanger in Canopy        | Staff          | עסו              | עסו                        |
| 5/10/2024                            | 629   | Trim            | 2 New Zealand Trees      | 3<br>12           | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/13/2024                            | 677   | Trim            | 2 New Zealand Trees      | 12                | Full Trim               | Staff          | <u>├</u>         |                            |
| 5/13/2024                            | 600   | Clearance       | Brazilian Pepper         | 6                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          | <u>├</u>         |                            |
| 5/13/2024                            | 906   | Clearance       | Carob Tree               | 3                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/13/2024                            | 908   | Removal         |                          | 2                 | , 0                     |                | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/13/2024                            | 2123  |                 | Orange Tree              | 3                 | Resident Request        | Staff<br>Staff | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/15/2024                            | 2123  | Removal<br>Trim | Juniper                  | 2                 | In Decline<br>Full Trim | Staff          | ТБО              | ТВО                        |
| , ,                                  |       |                 | Dracaena                 |                   |                         |                |                  |                            |
| 5/15/2024                            | 421   | Clearance       | C. Myrtle and Camphor    | 4                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          | TDD              | TDD                        |
| 5/15/2024                            | 341   | Removal         | Mexican Fan Palm         | 3                 | Out of Place            | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/15/2024                            | 116   | Trim            | Hedge of Juniper Spartan | 3                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/15/2024                            | 115   | Trim            | Hedge of Juniper Spartan | 3                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/24/2024                            | 2122  | Clearance       | Catalina Cherry          | 2                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/24/2024                            | 2111  | Clearance       | Torulosa                 | 2                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/24/2024                            | 2111  | Removal         | Juniper                  | 2                 | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/24/2024                            | 2208  | Removal         | Lemon Tree               | 2                 | Resident Request        | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/24/2024                            | 39    | Clearance       | Torulosa                 | 1.5               | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/24/2024                            | 112   | Clearance       | Schefflera               | 1                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/24/2024                            | 112   | Removal         | Ficus Benjamina          | 2                 | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/24/2024                            | 796   | Removal         | Edible Loquat            | 2                 | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/24/2024                            | 796   | Removal         | Edible Loquat            | 2                 | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/24/2024                            | 771   | Removal         | Chinese Elm              | 2                 | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 5/24/2024                            | 867   | Clearance       | Plum                     | 2                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/24/2024                            | 56    | Clearance       | Torulosa                 | 1                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 5/24/2024                            | 56    | Clearance       | Bottlebrush              | 1                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/4/2024                             | 145   | Trim            | Rusty Leaf Fig           | 16                | Full Trim               | Staff          | ↓                |                            |
| 6/4/2024                             | 174   | Clearance       | 2 Crape Myrtles          | 4                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/4/2024                             | 174   | Clearance       | 2 Crape Myrtles          | 4                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/4/2024                             | 192   | Clearance       | Crape Myrtle             | 1                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          | ↓ ↓              |                            |
| 6/4/2024                             | 569   | Trim            | Evergreen                | 3                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/4/2024                             | 38    | Hanger          | Cajeput                  | 2                 | Hanger in Canopy        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/5/2024                             | 52    | Removal         | Juniper                  | 2                 | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 6/5/2024                             | 259   | Clearance       | Aleppo Pine              | 3                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/5/2024                             | 21    | Removal         | Plum                     | 3                 | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 6/5/2024                             | 321   | Removal         | Fern Pine                | 15                | In Decline              | Staff          | TBD              | TBD                        |
| 6/5/2024                             | 684   | Trim            | Orchid Tree              | 4                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/5/2024                             | 628   | Trim            | African Sumac            | 3                 | Full Trim               | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/6/2024                             | 119   | Hanger          | Silk Oak                 | 2                 | Hanger in Canopy        | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/6/2024                             | 226   | Clearance       | 3 Maples                 | 2                 | Full Clearence          | Staff          |                  |                            |
| 6/6/2024                             | 150   | Clearance       | King Palm                | 2                 | Clear, Endweight        | Staff          |                  |                            |

Replacement Options: Pepper

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## **STAFF REPORT**

DATE:June 24, 2024FOR:Landscape CommitteeSUBJECT:Tree Removal Request:311-A – Windmill Palm Tree

#### RECOMMENDATION

Approve the request for the removal of one Windmill Palm tree located at 311-A Avenida Castilla.

#### BACKGROUND

The requestor became a Member in April 2024 and requested the removal of one Windmill Palm tree, *Trachycarpus fortunei*, located in the shrub bed area at the side of the unit.

The reasons cited for the removal request is structural damage and poor health. A root bulge adjacent to the structure indicates root impaction against the foundation—six additional signatures on the Mutual Request Form (Attachment 1) in favor of the removal.

The height of the tree is approximately 13 feet, with a trunk diameter of approximately 6 inches. The tree is growing approximately 20 feet from the common walkway (Attachment 2).

#### **DISCUSSION**

At the time of the inspection, the tree was found to be in poor health and had a chlorotic condition (yellowing of the palm fronds due to iron deficiency). There were no signs of pests or prior pest activity. There was no deadwood in the canopy and no decay present.

This tree meets the parameters set forth in § 3.3.3, Infrastructure Conflicts, of the United Mutual Urban Forest Management Plan. It is the recommendation of the staff the tree removal be approved.

#### **FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

The recurring cost to trim the trees is \$185 each. The estimated cost to remove the tree is \$414. The estimated value of the tree is \$1,380 based on the tree inventory data.

| Prepared By: | John Cox, Landscape Manager                     |
|--------------|---|
| Reviewed By: | Kurt Wiemann, Director of Field Operations      |
|              | Megan Feliz, Landscape Administrative Assistant |

# ATTACHMENT(S)

Attachment 1: Attachment 2:

Mutual Landscape Request Form Photographs

Attachment 1

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#### 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/Own  | er Information   |
|---|--|
| You must be an owner to request non-routine L   | andscape requests.   |
| 311A AVENIDA CASTILLA   | 5/20/2024  |
| Address   | Today's Date   |
| GEORGIE & CECILIA CHAN  |  |
| Resident's Name   | Telephone Number   |
| Non-Routi   |  |
| Please checkmark the item that best describes y<br>"Other" and explain.   | our request. If none apply, please checkmark   |
| Tree Removal D New Landscape  | Off-Schedule Trimming  |
| Other (explain):  |  |
|   |  |
| Reason fo   | or Request   |
| Please checkmark the item(s) that best explain  |  |
| M Structural Damage 🛛 Sewer Damage 🌾 🕅  | Vergrown 🕅 Poor Condition  |
| Litter/Debris Personal Preference   |  |
| Other (explain):  |  |
| <ul> <li>GUIDELINES:</li> <li><u>Structural/Sewer Damage</u>: Damage to buildi<br/>may justify removal if corrective measures at<br/><u>Overgrown/Crowded</u>: Trees or plants that has<br/>removal.</li> </ul> |  |
|   | that are declining in health will be evaluated for<br>it is considered.                              |
|   | er seasonally, generally this is not an adequate<br>ed, removal/replacement may be at the resident's |
|   |  |
| Landscape/Forms/Request Forms<br>Revised: January 2020  | Z XAM IN Page 1 of 2<br>DECE   |

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Please <u>briefly</u> describe the situation and the exact location of the subject of the request (a)  $\mathcal{A}$  "roots of pine tree in front of manor XYZ are lifting the sidewalk"). Attach pictures as necessary.

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12" away from south side will, at visic of structural damage

and in poor condition. Requesting to remove this tree.

# Signatures of All Neighbors Affected By This Request

Because your request may affect one or more of your neighbors, it is imperative that you obtain their signatures, manor numbers, and whether they are for, undecided, or against this request.

| Signature       | Manor #    | For  | Undecided | Against |
|-----------------|------------|------|-----------|---------|
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| Mut Bouth O     | 310 1)     | yes  |           |         |
| fand All        | 312A       | 70.5 |           |         |
| Anne PP. Aachin | -<br>310 F | les  |           |         |
| Dermintich 234  | -DREALTUR  | YES  |           |         |
| calille         | 311 A      | yes. |           |         |

(Please attach a separate sheet if more signatures are necessary.)

Acknowledgement - Owner

By signing, you are acknowledging this request.

Owner's Signature

Owner's Name

|               | OFFICE USE ONL | Y            |             |  |
|---------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|--|
| MOVE-IN DATE: | DATE:'         | DATE;'       |             |  |
| 530 540       | 570            | LAST PRUNED: |             |  |
| RELANDSCAPED: | <del>_</del>   | NEXT TIME:   |             |  |
|               | TREE SPECIES:  |              |             |  |
| COMMENTS:     |                |              |             |  |
| TREE VALUE:   | TREE REMOVAL   | COST:        |             |  |
|               |                |              | Page 2 of 2 |  |

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# Attachment 2

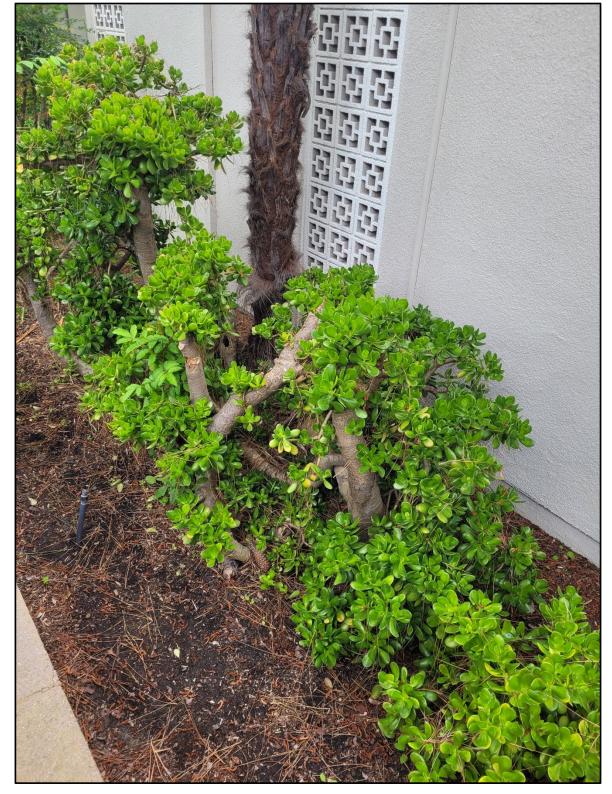




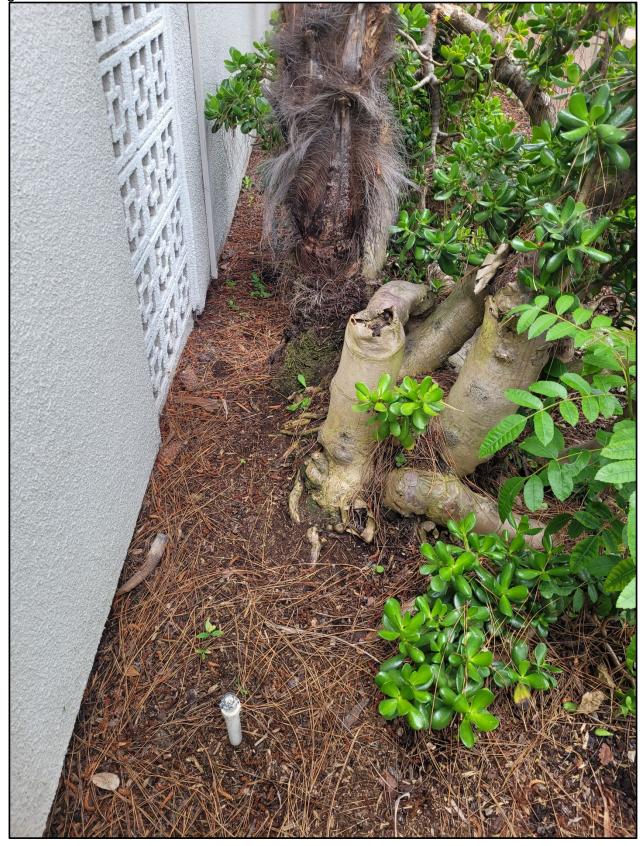


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# **STAFF REPORT**

DATE: June 24, 2024

FOR: Landscape Committee

#### SUBJECT: Landscape Request: 2038-C Via Mariposa E

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Deny the request to remove the trellis and plant material to place a crushed stone pathway between common area 2041 and 2038 Via Mariposa.

#### BACKGROUND

The resident requests the Mutual remove the plant material and trellis between 2041 and 2036 Via Mariposa (Attachment 1). The landscape request form states that the trellis is dangerous, obstructive landscaping that makes it hazardous for mobility-impaired residents to walk from the carports and trash bins to their units.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The resident proposes creating a pathway in the common area between Manors 2041 and 2036, supported by five additional signatures in favor of the path.

Over time, residents have created a desired path through the common area located between units 2036 and 2041 to access the carports and trash bins. A desired path is defined as "an unplanned route or path that is used by pedestrians in preference to a designated walkway." This desired path was unknown to staff before the resident in unit 2041-C performed unauthorized alterations to the area.

When the resident at 2041-C performed the unauthorized alterations, he removed turf, expanded the shrub bed area, and placed stepping stones in the common area without approval between units 2041 and 2036 along this path. The stepping stones have since been removed due to being unauthorized; this issue is in Compliance (Attachment 2). The path and stepping stones pose a liability to the Mutual by encouraging residents to walk from a paved surface (sidewalk) onto a turf area. The trellis was installed in the common area to prevent residents from using the path and trampling the plant material. Despite the presence of the trellis, the area continues to be used as a shortcut, causing ongoing damage to the plants. Staff has withheld new plantings pending a resolution.

Staff recommends denying the request to remove the trellis and install a DG pathway between 2041 and 2036 Via Mariposa. Maintaining the current landscape with the trellis is essential for preventing further plant damage and reducing the Mutual's liability.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

There is no cost to the denial of this item. The cost of removing the plant material and constructing a decomposed granite (DG) pathway through the planter area is approximately \$1,000.

| Prepared By:                                    | Megan Feliz, Department Administrative Assistant    |
|---|---|
| Reviewed By:                                    | Kurt Wiemann, Director of Field Operations          |
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| Resident/Owner Information   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| You must be an owner to request non-routine Landscape requests.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2038 C   | 05/20/2024   |  |  |  |  |
| Address  | Today's Date   |  |  |  |  |
| Michael Milo   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Resident's Name  | Telephone Number   |  |  |  |  |
| Non-Routine Request  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Please checkmark the item that best describes your requ<br>"Other" and explain.  | iest. If none apply, please checkmark  |  |  |  |  |
| Tree Removal New Landscape   | Off-Schedule Trimming  |  |  |  |  |
| & Other (explain): Remove a damprous o   | bstructive trellis, re-orrange   |  |  |  |  |
| & Other (explain): Remove a dangerous o<br>land scaping and add a safe, attractic  | re, indintence - Gree crushed stone partimay.  |  |  |  |  |
| Reason for Request   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Please checkmark the item(s) that best explain the reason for your request.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 🗆 Structural Damage 🛛 Sewer Damage 🖓 Overgrown 🖾 Poor Condition  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Litter/Debris Dersonal Preference  | $\sim \lambda_{L}$   |  |  |  |  |
| & Other (explain): to remove a dangerous of  | lestruction (-trellig) between manas   |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>GUIDELINES: enable convenient passage de Structural/Sewer Damage: Damage to buildings, sid may justify removal if corrective measures are not provergrown/Crowded: Trees or plants that have outg removal.</li> </ul> | evalks, sewer pipes, or other facilities<br>ractical.<br>prown the available space may justify |  |  |  |  |
| Damaged/Declining Health: Trees or plants that are declining in health will be evaluated for     corrective action before removal/replacement is considered  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>corrective action before removal/replacement is considered.</li> <li><u>Litter and Debris</u>: Because all trees shed litter seasonally, this is not an adequate reason to justify removal.</li> </ul>                |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li><u>Personal Preference</u>: Because one does not like the the tree or plant does not justify its removal.</li> </ul>  | appearance or other characteristics of   |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li><u>View Obstruction:</u> Trees will not be off-schedule trim</li> </ul>   | med or removed due to view obstruction.  |  |  |  |  |

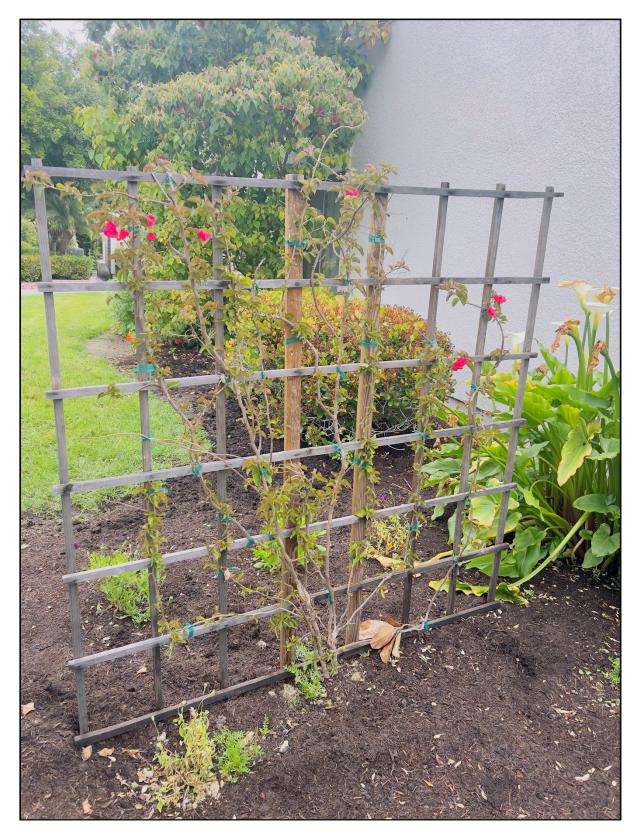
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**Description & Location of Request** Please briefly describe the situation and the exact location of the subject of the request (e.g., "roots of pine tree in front of manor XYZ are lifting the sidewalk"). Attach pictures as necessary. Placement of trellis & existing landscapping of common area between Monors 2041 & 2036 prevent safe and easy access to carport & trash bins and is hazardous for mobility impaired residents who need to evercise their pets. Signatures of All Neighbors Affected By This Request Because your request may affect one or more of your neighbors, it is imperative that you obtain their signatures, manor numbers, and whether they are for, undecided, or against this request. Manor # For Undecided Against Signature 2038C angen 2541 2037B 7*035-*C Х 2041 B (Please attach a separate sheet if more signatures are necessary.) Acknowledgement - Owner By signing, you are acknowledging this request. Victurel Milo **Owner's Signature Owner's Name** OFFICE USE ONLY DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ INITIALS: \_\_\_\_\_ MOVE-IN DATE: 570 \_\_\_\_\_ LAST PRUNED: \_\_\_\_\_ 530 \_\_\_\_\_ 540 \_\_\_\_\_ NEXT TIME: RELANDSCAPED: \_\_\_\_\_ TREE SPECIES: COMMENTS: TREE VALUE; \_\_\_\_\_ TREE REMOVAL COST: \_\_\_\_\_ Page 2 of 2

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### RESOLUTION 01-12-224

**RESOLVED**, December 11, 2012, that pursuant to Article VII, Section I of the Bylaws, a Landscape Committee is hereby established as a standing committee of this corporation; and

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the committee is charged with the following duties and responsibilities:

- 1. Ensure that the rules and regulations as listed in the Landscape Maintenance Manual are enforced uniformly throughout United Laguna Woods Mutual.
  - a. Help set up some long range plans for future landscape developments and practices that would work best with the anticipated future water supplies available for irrigation uses in the Community.
  - b. Promote efficient use of water in the United Laguna Woods Mutual.
- 2. Work with the Third Mutual Landscape Committee, the GRF Landscape Committee and our managing agent to:
  - a. Help determine service levels, and capital and operating budget requirements for the Community and to review annual landscape budgets prepared by the managing agent and make recommendations to the Board of Directors.
  - b. Update the rules and regulations in the Landscape Manual as needed.
  - c. Develop policies with regard to control of pests such as ants, rodents, etc.
  - d. Promote and oversee recycling programs and provide for optimum trash pickup and disposal services at reasonable and customary costs.
- 3. Review each petition for a change in landscape and visit those sites (1) for which clarification is deemed necessary and (2) for which a denial is being considered. Based upon information supplied by a qualified staff member, a petition may be granted without an on-site visit.
- 4. To report on its activities to the Board of Directors at monthly Board meetings or when requested by the President.
- 5. Perform such tasks as may be assigned or referred to this committee by the President or the Board of Directors.