

Landscape committee meeting 2-15-19

Members present- Karen, Sig, Nancy, Angela, Dona, Mike, Steve Dietz-GM

2:07 Meeting called to order. Quorum established.

Minutes approved after review of changes Dona made to initial minutes. Dona motioned to approval; second was by Angela.

Steve updated us that Artistree came back to him with a design for Sandcrane/Waterlefe Blvd median (same area that Crosspoint laid out actual plants). Steve said we should be able to compare with CrossPoint quote now. We need to get a written quote from Jim/Crosspoint, but Jim has verbally quoted \$4000 for all plants that he laid out (including labor) plus \$450 – 500 for any irrigation modifications needed. Steve will get with Jim for a written quote. There is not a price included for irrigation change from ArtisTree in their quote.

Monument update -- At this point Karen found a sign company, Arete Industries, to take a look at signs and give us some options. Contact person is Debbie and she gave us 3 options with a price range of \$17,750-23,000 to modify BOTH monuments. Dona provided some pictures of sign examples from other neighborhoods. Steve will add a slide with monument information to the CDD presentation for Monday 2/18. Karen is meeting with another company next week.

Curb light update- The curbs, turning onto the streets off Waterlefe Blvd., are still dark, even with the upgraded light bulbs in the street lamps. Steve saw solar lights at Home Depot that he will buy to try them (from Amazon, 8 for \$35). He will set up in a few areas and see if it they're effective.

Street Lights update- Completed. FPL cut some palm leaves but more will need to be trimmed. (note: John Toborg has stated to us and the CDD that fronds should NOT be cut from palms until they are completely brown. Before then, the yellowed fronds are still feeding nutrients to the tree.)

Karen mentioned the street light in center median at front entrance is crooked. Steve will have it checked out to try and get it straightened.

Discovery Cul-de-sac -- Since we cancelled the original P.O. for said work, John Z. cancelled that P.O. & has to reissue a new, identical one. Steve said John Z. has been out sick all week.

Annuals -- Steve spoke with John Z. re: he feels if we change have another plant the next annual rotation. John said he's ok with it if we decide, as a committee, to do so but he'd rather do our annuals. Steve spoke to CrossPoint, Artistree, and John Toborg re: who would be responsible for the flowers if Artistree does not plant them. Steve got 3 different answers. Per the contract, John Toborg says part 6 implies that now Artistree is not responsible for our annuals if we use someone else. Jim (Crosspoint) said Artistree would be responsible for maintaining. John Z. said they wouldn't ignore the flower beds and if he notices anything wrong he'd let Steve know. If irrigation modifications need to be made for flower beds, Artistree will charge us regardless of whether they plant the flowers or not. They always have charged for irrigation additions or modifications. All existing flower beds have already had irrigation added for the annuals, so no modifications should be needed in existing flower beds. Nancy said to not be surprised with our annual struggling areas do not change with a new vendor because some areas will always struggle. Mike suggested that each committee member weigh in on the issue and asked that a motion be made on which members could vote. Dona made a motion to have Crosspoint

be in charge of planting the spring rotation of annuals. Sig voted in favor of said motion. He is not happy with inconsistencies in flower height and growth and feels that it's due to ArtisTree not fertilizing the flowers properly. Angela voted against the motion. JZ's done a good job with our community and she mentioned that the timing might not be right. Nancy and Karen were on the fence but both ultimately voted in favor of the motion. Nancy said we need to make some adjustments to some of the beds. Crosspoint will add to the existing soil before having flowers planted this time (included in their quote of \$2.25/plant). ArtisTree will not be amending the soil until the summer rotation, per the contract. Crosspoint will also add fungicide after plants are in and will also add a fertilizer to enhance blooming. Dona voted in favor of the motion; it's a great opportunity to see if Jim P's suggested grower/planter is as great as Jim says he is and see if the performance of their flowers is superior to those in the past. She doubts that Artistree has ever applied fungicide to the annuals and knows that ArtisTree let many weeks pass before adding extra fertilizer to the previous annuals. They fertilized only after John Toborg told them it had not been applied and asked when it would be done. She's frustrated that Artistree doesn't provide us with their plan/ideas of what to plant, like Jim did. Mike voted against the motion. The motion carried four votes to two.

Karen had to leave the meeting at 3:25. Dona will continue the notes.

Steve cannot attend the next regular meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup> due to a golf tournament conflict, so the date will be changed to February 28<sup>th</sup>, same place, same time.