

**LA COSTA RIDGE LANDSCAPE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTES**

NOVEMBER 18, 2022, 1:00 P.M.

Location: Erna's Home

In Attendance

Rosaleen Derington, Nahid McCormick, Nick Nixon, Erna Markwith

Discussion

- Paul Fraidenburgh is unable to serve on the committee but will be an advisor and will review Dolcetto monthly.
- The committee reaffirmed the landscape enhancement priorities:
 1. Fire Suppression
 2. The El Fuerte entrance.
 3. The bare slopes on Corinita inside the El Fuerte entrance.
 4. The corners of Corintia, Oceano, and Tamarindo.
 5. The Abrazo entrance.
 6. The bare spots along Abrazo, inside the gate.
 7. The hillside on the north side of Corintia inside the Melrose entrance.
 8. The bare spots along the remainder of Corintia.
 9. Bare spots on the cul de sac streets.
 10. The hillside behind the homes on Oceano.
 11. Substitution of Carex in the parkways in front of homes.
- Enhancement Progress:
 - The Board is Working on improving the El Fuerte entrance.
 - Brightview is planting inside the El Fuerte gate.
 - The Committee requested a bid for the corners of Corintia, Oceano, and Tamarindo.
 - Items five through eleven will be reviewed in 2023.
- BrightView will plant bougainvillea, roses, and lantana on Corintia inside the El Fuerte gate and replace the dead roses at the Abrazo gate without charge.
- Erna met with BrightView on November 10 to determine the placement of the complementary plants.
- Erna reported about her discussions with fire suppression experts.

- The committee unanimously agreed that the most important areas of fire protection are adjacent to the preserve.
- The committee unanimously agreed that the carex that is not in the parkways in front of homes should be allowed to grow tall.
- The Arborist evaluated the La Costa Ridge trees.
 1. All dead trees will be removed, including the dying Italian Cypress at the El Fuerte entrance.
 2. Plant Tec will treat the Canary Palms and Oaks with Safari, Minx 2, Strobe, and Activator 90. for pests.
- BrightView has been improving the problem areas identified by the LAC committee in our zone reports:
 - They are removing dead material.
 - BrightView replaced dying plants on the corners and will exchange the purple lantana at the NE Tamarindo corner. The purple lantana will be used in bare spots in the Dolcetto neighborhood.
 - They will cut down and cap the broken electrical feed pipes from the fire hydrant on Corintia north of Avellana.
 - Vallecitos Water District will remove the chain north of Avellana

Action Items

- Erna will send the proposed Fire Suppression Standards to the City of Carlsbad Fire Prevention Officer for review and improvement.
- All committee members will review the proposed Landscape Maintenance Contract as soon as possible.
- All committee members will complete their Zone Reports by the last Saturday of each month.

Announcements:

- Rosaleen will host the next meeting at 1:00 on Friday, December 16, 2022, at 7126 Corintia.
- Medi Maldonado, City of Carlsbad, Fire Prevention Specialist II will meet with the committee on January 19, 2023, at Nick Nixon's home.
- Zone Reports should be sent to Erna on or before November 26, 2022.

Include with Winter 2022 Tree Pruning

Several oaks on Corintia have been hit by high-profile vehicles, breaking small branches.

Republic Services advises that their trucks are at least 15 feet tall. The trees need to be lifted/skirted/limbed up to 16 to 18 feet.



Broken trees at 7027 Corintia



November 2022 Landscape Maintenance Report

There are fewer weeds and suckers under the trees. Thank you.

The turf needs attention, including the corner of Corintia and Sitio Montecillo in front of 3200 Sitio Montecillo and the corner of Sitio Montecillo and Sito Cordero under the stop sign post. The dead rosemary should also be removed.



The cul-de-sac by the community easement on Sitio Montecillo has a lot of dead leaves that need to be cleaned.

Why is the tree in front of 3650 on Sitio Cordero yellow on one side?



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Encroaching trees at 7027 Corintia



Broken trees at 7027Corintia

Fires Suppression areas need attention.



The entrance at Paseo Abrazo, just before the gate needs plants.



The vinca minor is not doing well.

There are dead plants at the corner of Corintia and Paseo Abrazo.



Don't forget to flush cut and cap the broken conduit PVC.



There are dead plants on the long slope on Corintia and on the grassy knoll on Cabellero.



Please remove all litter

