

**THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
OPEN SPACE DIVISION
MIRAMAR RANCH NORTH MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT
DECEMBER 2019 STAFF REPORT**

Ornamental Landscaping

- Weed removal – Spot treatment and hand pulling for all weeds continue.
- Xylosma shrubs within the MAD are currently being evaluated. Some will be removed, shrubs too close to the sidewalk, too close to a sprinkler or too close to each other. Some will be lifted and pruned to a tree shape and some pruned as a shrub, all depending on the location.
- Irrigation checks, and repairs continue. All irrigation has been turned off except for watering in the Myoporum cuttings at Butterfly Park.
- On Cypress Canyon Rd & Alderhill, cobblestone was placed down near the Presidio monument. Complements of the HOA within the area.
- Overlook Restrooms- The cover to the outside electrical outlet has been replaced. Both sides of the restrooms had both light sensors repaired.

Tree Maintenance

- Project completed- on Scripps Poway Parkway starting at the medians next to the shopping mall and next to the YMCA. The project involves removing Pines that are upheaving the asphalt in the road, too close to other Crape Myrtles and other Pines. This project will benefit the existing trees by giving the trees room to grow to their full size, it will give some order to the landscape by reducing the closeness of the Pines and reduce the cost of pruning every other year. All other trees remaining have been pruned.
- On Cypress Canyon Rd., The Rhus lancea, African sumac- has been pruned. The Eucalyptus sideroxylon and Jacarandas are in process of being pruned.
- A large branch was removed on a Calif. Pepper next to the Bank of America on SPP.

Mini-Parks

- Butterfly Park- Myoporum pacificum in the park has been removed. Myoporum parvifolium has been place down from cuttings, creating a low maintenance, creative design that accents three new planter beds. The final conversion from one Myoporum to the other has been completed. Different butterfly plant material has been transplanted to other areas within the park.

- Dry Creek Park- One *Dracena draco*, Dragon Tree, was planted within the park. 15 cuttings of *Opuntia*, thornless beavertail cactus, which forms a type of groundcover was planted and two *Euphorbia cotinifolia* was also planted from cuttings.
- Oak Glen Park- 5 plants of *Encelia californica* was planted near its botanical sign. A new sign was placed in the kiosk that states: This Site Maintained With Your Miramar Ranch North Maintenance Assessment District Fund.
- Staff is working with Terracare on cleaning the planter beds, removing dead plant material, adding mulch where needed, removing and transplanting plant material where it is appropriate, and redefining the landscape plan for the mini parks.

Landscape Contract

- Terracare Associates continues to provide services within budget.
- Miramar Ranch North budget has been approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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