



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
OPEN SPACE DIVISION
MIRAMAR RANCH NORTH MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT
NOVEMBER 2014 STAFF REPORT

Ornamental Landscaping

- Irrigation checks and repairs continue. For all irrigation systems that are on a slope or near a sidewalk, a purple washer is being added so run off is minimized.
- Xylosma shrubs that block the full coverage of irrigation, that are too close to the sidewalk, are bordering open space areas or are too close to each other will be removed per the discussions and walk thru that occurred in August with the MAD subcommittee. An application of Round-up concentrate will be painted on the stumps after the cut has been made to reduce sucker sprouts. The following areas have been completed:
 - Large slope at the south-west side of Spring Canyon Rd. & Scripps Ranch Blvd.
 - The meadow area at the north-west corner of Spring Canyon Rd. & Scripps Ranch Blvd.
- Removal of groundcover around trees continues. Since water has been reduced in certain areas, some trees are showing slight signs of stress. Removal of groundcover three feet around each tree reduces the competition for water. Adding burms and deep watering trees that are stressed should resolve this issue while still saving water.
- Brow ditch cleaning has been completed.

Tree Trimming

- Tree canopies are being lifted up and away from signs, sidewalks and walls by Blue Skies Landscape.

Mini-Parks

- Men's restroom sign has been replaced at Overlook Park and the women's restroom door has been repaired.
- Fountain was leaking and has been repaired at Oak Glen Mini Park.
- Loose and missing stones on the walls at Butterfly Park have been repaired.
- The parking lot at the Scripps Ranch Community Center (Butterfly Park) has two new disabled parking spots and the two existing disabled spots have been repainted.

- Staff is working with Blueskies 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 that resembles the original plant pallet.

Landscape Contract and Budget

- Blue Skies continues to provide services within budget.
- The Fiscal Year 2016 Proposed Budget will be emailed to the committee when available and prior the November 18 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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