

**1600 Hamilton Place Community Association  
Landscape Committee Meeting  
December 19, 2012**

**Committee Members**

Sheba Solomon            Co-Chair

**Others Present**

Tim Fitzgerald            Medallion Landscaping  
Brian Finerty            Board of Directors Member

**I. Open Forum** – No one present

The open forum is an opportunity for residents to submit landscaping concerns/requests to the committee. If residents cannot attend the open forum, they can submit requests in writing to Bill Hubbard at [bhubbard@communitymanagement.com](mailto:bhubbard@communitymanagement.com).

**II. Call to Order**

Co-Chair Sheba Solomon convened the meeting to review ongoing and needed work at 7:05 p.m.

**III. Ongoing Work**

**Review of Maintenance Concerns and Recent New Work**

- Medallion's focus has been on cleaning up leaves throughout the complex; this is nearly complete with the exception leaf debris from the Pears.
- Owners are reminded to dispose of leaves from within their patio areas in designated pick-up areas (i.e. at entrances to Foxhall, Donovan, Huxley and Greenwich), and not to pile them on the lawns. With rainy weather, these piles kill the grass beneath them. We then have to pay Medallion to re-seed these areas.
- Kikuyu Grass areas on Greenwich and Huxley are coming back nicely. Some small areas will need to be reseeded due to excessive rains (rotting seed) and due to homeowners piling leaves from their interior patios on the new grass.
- Medallion will be pruning some of the crepe myrtles and removing the fireblight-infected branches on all Pear Trees after the holidays. The crepes in larger lawn areas will be allowed to grow to full height, rather than annually pruning them, so they can function as larger shade trees.
- Hard pruning of xylosma, escallonia and photinia will commence in late winter/early spring. The committee is working with the Board to determine the second phase of mature hedge removals.

**Irrigation**

- Irrigation is currently being controlled by our satellite clocks. Residents should be aware that clock programming is based on weather conditions from the previous 24-hour period (as well as historical data). That is why sprinklers sometimes come on even when it is raining. During periods of extended, heavy rain, the clocks will be on rain pause and the sprinklers will not come on.

**Review of Bids**

- Committee-approved bids include improvements on Foxhall, Greenwich and Ashmeade.

**Long Term Planning**

- Committee is developing recommendations for the next calendar year that will identify areas for landscape improvements, mature hedge replacements and turf removal.

**Trees**

- The City of San Jose has approved our tree removal permit and removals and subsequent tree replacements will be completed in February 2013. There will be nine, 24 inch box and eight, 15-gallon trees planted throughout the complex (required by the City of San Jose).

**IV. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. The next Landscape Committee meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 16, 2013.