

**1600 Hamilton Place Community Association
Landscape Committee Meeting
January 24, 2024**

Committee Member

Sheba Solomon	Co-Chair
Maryalice Heim	Co-Chair

Others Present

Tim Fitzgerald	Medallion Landscaping
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Call to Order: Co-Chair, Maryalice convened the meeting to review ongoing and needed work at 2:00 p.m.

Ongoing Work: Review of Maintenance Concerns and Recent New Work

- Medallion's focus is on winter debris cleanup and trimming with an emphasis on security by clearing/pruning shrubs that block lighting or line of sight.

Irrigation: The frequency and duration of irrigation continues to be closely monitored and adjustments are made as needed for changes in the weather or to accommodate new plantings.

- Medallion addresses irrigation issues as they arise.
- Irrigation is currently turned off. If needed, due to lack of rain, water will be turned back on once a week to protect new plantings and lawns.
- An irrigation system check was recently completed in January and the Board has been invoiced for needed repairs.
- The Board and committee appreciate resident diligence in curbing personal water usage as well as any heads-up in detecting water leaks or faulty sprinklers.

Review of New Projects and Recently-Approved Work

- Medallion has submitted bids for most of the requested work for 2024. The remainder are expected by the end of January. These aim to reduce overgrown landscape, particularly as it impairs visibility and lighting.
- Committee will present 2024 landscape plan to board at the February Board meeting

Long-Term Planning: The Board focus for landscape improvement is to conserve water and install size-appropriate landscaping to reduce maintenance (trimming) requirements.

- Security: Due to security concerns, the committee and Medallion are identifying areas to improve areas where lines of sight and lights are blocked by bushes. This can involve hard pruning or removing bushes and/or using lower plants to increase visibility. The committee appreciates any suggestions for improving security affected by landscape.
- Long-term plan includes enhancing lines of sight and visibility, water conservation, capping sprinklers when possible, installing mulch or rock; and replacing turf with drought-tolerant, size-appropriate landscaping, using high efficiency sprinklers, as needed.

Trees

- Lewis Tree has completed the annual tree trimming and tree removal for 2023. Final clean-up of stump grinding is in progress.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m. Next Committee meeting will Wednesday February 21, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.