

MEMORANDUM

To: All Meadows-Ferndale HOA (MFHOA) Owners and Residents
From: MFHOA Board of Directors
Date: May 1, 2022
Subject: Planting Strip Maintenance

Since this topic was inadvertently left out of both the April newsletter and the April Board meeting, we thought an update would be helpful and appropriate.

For reference, planting strips are those areas between the roadways and the sidewalks that are generally used for planting trees and grass. Our planting strips are in dismal condition and have been for some time. After studying the situation, aided by a report from the Landscaping Committee, the Board decided to initiate a project to renovate all planting strips in our community. The project was funded in the 2022 budget, a new Landscaping Company was hired, their quote was accepted, and the project was given a "green light" to commence earlier this year.

The first steps of the project included securing permits from the City of Ferndale and approving "cosmetic" maintenance of the planting strips to prevent them from becoming any more unsightly while avoiding unnecessary cost for maintaining areas that would eventually be completely renovated.

The permit request has been submitted to the City's processing system but since spring is the time for such projects, they have a large backlog. These delays are unavoidable, and Board will do everything in its power to expedite issuance of the permits and commencement of the renovation project. As for the continuing maintenance of the planting strips while we wait for the permits, we have directed the Landscaping company to stay on top of this and keep the planting strips maintained without wasting money on any element of the strips that will be replaced by the renovation. You may rest assured that we are working diligently to enable a major part of the renovation process can begin soon. We sincerely appreciate your patience and deeply regret this unfortunate delay and the impact it is having on the appearance of our neighborhood and our homes.

The Board has been advised that the interim planting strip maintenance is, in fact, underway. If it has not yet happened in your area, please be patient. The maintenance crew will be there soon.

The Board hopes this clarifies the situation. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact us at: meadowsferndalehoa@gmail.com.

Regards,

Board of Directors

Meadows-Ferndale Homeowners' Association