Landscaping Notes January 15, 2023 meeting

Landscaping has been an ongoing project following the completion of CIP. Over the years 2021-2022, several generous tenants have provided money, time, and ideas to help restore order and beauty to the common areas in the neighborhood. Some of these projects are ongoing, and a significant amount of planting is scheduled for this spring, including installation of plants at all north neighborhood entrances as well as at the Stonehouse esplanade.

Projects Completed or Scheduled

Common areas

- 1. Pavers are being installed throughout common areas to provide commonality to many of the beds. Old borders (often very dilapidated) have been removed and disposed of. This was largely funded by donations from the THM! Funds were also used to restore some of the flower beds in these common areas.
- 2. Bassoon area (**Courtyard A**) was particularly problematic following CIP. Solely dirt and mud areas have been planted and borders installed.
- 3. **Courtyard** C has been another problematic area due to CIP reconstruction but also due to extensive shade from existing trees. The city has installed sod in the area and volunteers have helped install rocks and pavers. Pavers have been installed in the south end and bushes have been planted to prevent soil erosion.
- 4. The **pool** area has been planted with caladium beds and seasonal flowers in pots. Borders have also been planted using ligularia among other plants. Exterior to the pool on Meyerwood, significant work needed to be performed following CIP. Sod has been planted.
- 5. **Stonehouse esplanade**: during CIP, the esplanade was reshaped. Plants, borders, and a new triple head solar lamp has been installed. Volunteers were involved in the solar light installation.
- 6. Though pavers have been applied to the **Fordshire bed** at the entrance, more planting will be performed in this area in 2023 so make the corner more interesting.
- 7. Many volunteers from the community were involved in the installation of irrigation along the **Fordshire entrance**. In addition, sod and Savannah holly trees have been installed by the city.

Future Directions

- 1. Knockout roses to be installed at all **entrances** for continuity.
- 2. **Breakwood** project
- 3. A memorial object will be installed in memory of our dear board member and THM resident, **Allen Graham**.

Thank you!

- 4. Individuals who have donated a lot of time (Lois, Cindy, Jeff, Randy, Ted, Ethel, others)
- 5. Individuals who have donated money (approximately \$3,000 donated!)
- 6. Donations of time or money always welcome.
- 7. The landscaping committee exists and welcomes new ideas.

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