

Rancho San Clemente

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Community Association

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Newsletter

Fall Greetings!

RSCCA Board Appointee

A warm welcome to Paul Melby of Vista Pacifica; and sincere appreciation to Joe Lovullo of Harbor View for his service on the board.

City Improvements for RSCCA

• Tree Replacement

The City replaced 407 trees in the median of Calle del Cerro and along each side of Calle del Cerro and Vista Montana. After RSCCA contacted City Manager Andy Hall to review RSCCA's Specific Plan mandates which require the city to maintain Street Trees within 15 feet of the curb face and/or within 15 feet of sidewalks, city crews were directed to return and complete the work by removing weeds from around the trees and by installing ring guards around the Golden Rain trees to protect against damage during weed wacking. The Dwarf Magnolias have white flowers and the Golden Rain Trees have yellow blooms.

• Street Slurry

The City has also completed the street slurry project along Calle del Cerro including an access road along the west side of Villagio I. Most of the striping for vehicle and bike lanes has been completed. A flash beacon & crosswalk on Calle del Cerro by Villagio II will be completed soon.

• Ridgeline Trail Slurry

After joining us for a Landscape Drive, City Manager Andy Hall directed city vendors to slurry ~ 1.5 miles of the Ridgeline Trail above Harbor View and Pacific Shores. Crews also trimmed trees and shrubs 3 feet outside the sides of the Trail. Enjoy the new roadway.

• Removal of Dead Trees Along Ridgeline Trail

An on-site review of dead trees along the RRT above Harbor View also alerted Andy Hall to direct city crews to remove the fire hazardous trees.

• Recycled Water Service

Directors Robert Anderson and Vonne Barnes attended an on-site meeting with Dave Rebensdorf, Director of Utilities, at the Water Treatment Facility. Interest in expansion of service for RSCCA were reviewed. We hope to be first in the queue for grant funding to provide recycled water to our community. RSCCA's findings indicate cost savings up to 46% using recycled water (instead of potable) to irrigate the Common Areas of both Master and Sub-Association areas.

RSCCA/ Business Park Maintenance Agreement

The Board is pleased to announce that after decades of review, the Business Park formalized a Maintenance Agreement with RSCCA such that RSCCA shall maintain property on the west side of the RRT and the Business Park shall maintain property on the east side of the Trail. The Agreement also applies to co-owned properties of the Business Park and RSCCA, and includes a maintenance map for easy reference for the governing bodies of both Association(s).

Landscaping & OCFA

Now that restrictions in irrigation have been lifted new landscaping has been installed behind Villagio II and the crews are currently installing new landscaping for the remaining 9 project areas.

We have completed OCFA defensible zone maintenance for the Common Areas owned by the Master Association and may need to repeat the maintenance due to the robust growth of vegetation due to the amount of seasonal rainfall.

Kudos to RSCCA's 14 HOA's for also maintaining the defensible fire zones of Common Areas owned by the Sub-Associations in accordance with GOV 51182.

Questions: OCFA Jonathan Lim: 949. 274.6786 email: jonathanlim@ocfa.org

Virtual Board Meetings

... are currently allowed as long as a physical location is provided for members to attend in accordance with Civil Code 4090(b). Next year a new Civil Code, Section 4926, may be added to the Open Meeting Act pending passage of AB 648, which will allow purely virtual meetings.

AT&T Tower & Dish Cellular Antenna in Harbor View

American Towers has agreed to reduce a massive AT&T tower structure from 138 feet to 70 feet in height; but neighbors are concerned about installation of new Dish Cellular antennas as well as future FCC approved macro antennas regarding safety issues for nearby homeowners. Concerned residents oppose the antenna citing Ordinance 1690 that prohibits telecommunication companies from placing cell towers within 500 feet of a school or residence, or within 300 feet from another cell site.

Questions may be directed to:

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Meetings are on the second Thursday each month at 6:00 pm via Zoom or at St. Andrews Church, 2001 Calle Frontera, San Clemente, CA

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