

May 1st, 2024 Landscape Committee Report

Andy and Adrian drove through the community 4/27 and reviewed the work that had been done in the preceding two months and upcoming projects.

Completed or near completion:

1. Mulch project. Almost completed. Brown mulch has been spread at most of the major intersections of the community. Some staining of the road is apparent in a few areas. Power washing will be done to remove the stain. As requested, the mulch will be pulled back from plants and a well created.
2. Pear tree trunk painting will be done in the next few weeks.
3. Large shrub trimming. Oleander along Brooktree, privet and viburnum along the fences in multiple areas of Magee Ranch have been trimmed.
4. Weeds will be cut back along all sidewalks throughout the community. This work is part of our standard contract. More extensive weed abatement will be coming up later in the season and is done by a separate contract.
5. Irrigation inspection accomplished in preparation for the dry season. Minor repairs done with no major problems noted.
6. Leaves cleared along Blackhawk Rd. under pepper trees. Mulch that was sprayed there a few years ago still seems adequate.
7. Detention basin work has been completed
8. A few dead pepper trees have been taken out and replaced in several areas. New irrigation installed for the two replacements at Magee Ranch Rd. and Sunhaven.

Projects to Do/Consider:

Consider smart link timers. Would show water use and any leaks would be immediately noted. We have four systems that would cost about \$5000 each to equip with this new technology. Would help in decreasing water use.

Detention Basin silt cleanup at top of Leaffield, Shadewell, and Windover. Most likely our GHAD advisor (Engeo) will be recommending this work and when approved by the GHAD Board, New West would like to submit a bid

Installation of plastic sheathing upstream of the detention basins at the top of Windover. The plastic sheathing would be out of sight and help prevent erosion of soil into our detention basins in this area. Once again, to be done if suggested by Engeo. New West would like to bid on this work.

Replace edging in front of Terraces. The plastic edging at the border of the gravel in front of the Terraces is in need of improvement. Replacing with metal edging material would improve the looks. This is a relatively small project. New West to submit a bid.

