

Rancho Bernardo Community Council

Maintenance Assessment District (MAD) Minutes

April 2, 2007

1. Frank Auwarter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Alethea Altenbern, David Blitzblau, Steve Ewart, Joe Henderson, Brooke Lambert with Janet Atkin newly elected to the Council who expressed interest in joining MAD. Excused – Robin Kaufman and Cory Peterson. Unexcused – Myrna Reese.

2. With a quorum being present, February minutes were approved with one change. March minutes had a correction in spelling of Minutes – then both unanimously approved.

3. Staff Report: **Pomerardo Road and Rios Project** – Fence has been completed, with 20 Crape Myrtle trees instead of 18 being planted. Irrigation has also been completed. Drip system will be next.

Olive Tree Replacement – Goldkamp has completed Olive tree planting on Rancho Bernardo Road. Wells will be created around the trees temporarily to keep them watered sufficiently.

Asphalt Medians – Sweeping by Goldkamp will continue which is done yearly.

Frank passed around pictures taken of the Pomerado/Rios Project. Joe mentioned there is only one vendor with 43 districts to be handled – thus taking much more time than anticipated.

Alethea also passed a picture that Joe had shown to us previously of attractive pavement that could be used in the Medians.

Alethea asked why one Olive tree on RB Road was in a different location than before thus having the light in a different location. Joe said Cory's workers had found a gas line under the old tree planted there. Light will need to be moved.

4. Agenda Items:

A. Welcome Signs: No update. Merchant signs are being placed around the area. Further research to be done. We know location of sign must be approved for safety of drivers.

B. Water Meters: If we were to have meters replaced as Cory had previously discussed, it would require about 8 years to have the cost covered by the savings. Next meeting Cory will probably let us know where another location could be tested regarding savings on water cost.

C. Alethea had asked to speak about another issue on Pomerado Road. She suggested to contact Seven Oaks which has the area across Rios Road (Southeast side) and find out if a cooperative program could be arranged if we installed black fencing to match the other side of the street to make the entrance more uniform. The fencing would only go in the front and partially around. Seven Oaks has a water supply already there and possibly they could install Jasmine vines to match and take care of the watering. Frank offered to contact them and find out if they have an interest in this idea. Steve knows who to contact and will let Frank know.

D. Frank announced that the architect he had been in contact with (Lightfoot) is not the type of concern we are looking for to handle the Pomerado Road medians. We need someone from the city who can look up water possibilities – suggestions for the best possible way to make the area attractive. We need some renderings and we need some grants as this is a very expensive project. Joe gave some ideas and talked about Sandag – matching funds – drawings, etc. Joe suggested a contact with Larry Van Wey who is knowledgeable with the type of information we need to proceed with the median project.

E. Issue Log – Steve passed out a current issue log. We discussed issues on the log and removed No. 10, Concrete posts. Frank asked an opinion of the Holiday lights (which David has not been able to check into as he was having severe leg pains). Four people were for the idea. Two voted negative due to the constant costs each year. It was mentioned Holiday lights are beautiful, but we should spend our money more wisely.

F. No other items were discussed.

5. Adjourned: 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Alethea Altenbern