

HOA LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

NEW AND PROJECTED LANDSCAPE PROJECTS

2024 PROJECTS

Replacement of existing ¾ irrigation lines and emitters on Sierrita

Fifteen contractors were contacted and asked if they were interested in bidding on the project. Due to the size/scope of the project only three contractors submitted bids. Yellowstone Landscaping was the successful bidder. Cost of the project will be covered by using both funds from the Reserve fund and the Annual Operating fund.

Two new ¾" irrigation lines will be installed on both sides of Sierrita.

One line will irrigate the trees.

One line will irrigate the bushes, shrubs and flowers.

The lines will be marked differently to distinguish between them.

The number and placement of the new emitters will be determined by the size and location of each plant.

Work will be guaranteed for 3 years.

Depending upon the weather, the work should start in January and take between 30 to 60 days.

The goal is to have the work completed before the irrigation season starts.

Replacement of dead and dying trees and bushes/shrubs

Landscape improvements will be limited this year to replacing two large dead bushes on the east side of Seven Bar near Westside Blvd. Funding that would have been allocated to adding new or replacing existing trees and bushes/shrubs will be used to fund the irrigation project.

2025 PROJECTS

Replacement of existing ¾ irrigation lines and emitters on Seven Bar

Work and funding will be similar to that done for Sierrita.

Replacement of dead and dying trees and bushes/shrubs

Landscape improvements will be limited again this year to provide funding for the irrigation work.

2026 AND FUTURE YEARS' PROJECTS

HOA wall repairs/repainting

The Association's wall is the largest investment that the HOA has. The wall is approximately 30 years old and has been repainted three times, the last time being in 2022. It has never been re-stuccoed, but the top bricks were repainted, and missing ones replaced about 15 years ago. If/when it needs to be re-stuccoed, this will be a major expense and we will need a large Reserve Fund to cover this cost.

Repainting the wall may be necessary in another 8 to 10 years.

Replacement of original trees and shrubs/bushes

Many of the original trees are reaching their useful life or are like many of the Bradford Pears which are infected with a disease. We will need to continue replacing them and increase the variety of trees – adding more elm, oak, maple and pine – so that one disease will not decimate most of our street trees as is happening now with the pear.

The original shrubs/bushes are at or approaching their useful life and will need to be replaced as they die.

Trail stabilization at the walkways

Although the crusher fine trails have been chemically treated to stabilize/harden the soil where they meet the sidewalks, the steep slopes at Seven Bar and Sierrita result in crusher fines being spread out onto the sidewalks creating slippery conditions at times. The trails may need further chemical stabilization or even asphalt to eliminate the movement of the crusher fines onto the sidewalks.

Seven Bar revitalization project

In 2023 the entrances to the three communities off Sierrita were "revitalized" by adding new plantings. The five communities off Seven Bar may warrant revitalization in the near future.