

Minutes for the LARC meeting on 10/01/2020

Present: Mary Delamater (chair), Carol Schutz, Joe Wilson

Unable to attend: Katherine Griffith, Helen Harper, Donna Self, Patty O'Toole

- 1) Kathie Leonetti, chair of Garden Villa Maintenance committee, attended to discuss some problems in Garden Villa with refuse out back in the right of way area outside the fencing and a problem tree. Decision - refuse issue will be referred to the Administrator for further action because they haven't responded to informal intervention. Mary and Kathie will go talk to the owner of the problem tree.
- 2) Newsletter article about signs was in the October newsletter, reminding residents of the sign rules and giving them until 7 days after election on 11-3 to remove disallowed signs. We will do a follow-up article going into more detail about what a disallowed sign is.

Gray area - is it a yard decoration or is it a sign? Example: painted rock that says "Stay off lawn", wooden figurine that says "Please pick up after your dog." We decided that if it has lettering, it's a sign. Exception: decorations with lettering that refer to a holiday are allowed, but must be removed within 30 days of holiday (See [Resolution 2012-102](#) re: artificial yard objects).

We will deal with further gray areas as they come up, but would like to limit the exceptions and carve-outs as much as we can, to keep enforcement simple and uniform.

- 3) To protect resident privacy, the committee shouldn't tell residents if there's a LARC project request form approved for work that's being done at another resident's property. However, it's perfectly appropriate for LARC to investigate whether work is approved in response to such an inquiry.
- 4) Committee reviewed several pending project request forms. We discussed how projects are still often in process or even completed by the time we receive the forms, which is not OK. We will continue to try to educate community members to file request forms with plenty of lead time so the review process can be completed before the project starts.
- 5) Louis Martinez attended and would like to join as a committee member. Mary will present him to the board at the next BOD meeting.

Next LARC committee meeting: Oct 15, 3:30pm, outdoors at Crown Center. Please bring a chair and a face covering. Note: if weather is bad, will move to virtual meeting.