

Committee Members in Attendance: Tony Morrocco, Jenny West, Angie Butz, Monica Groth Farrar, John Nekola and Irene Dobberstein

Meeting was called to order at 6:53 PM

Minutes from the October meeting were approved.

-Christmas decorations will be installed around Thanksgiving by Focal Point at the cost of \$16,381.

-Hedge Hogs:

-The hogs have not yet been constructed but foam forms have been done. Per Brooks Goedeker, \$10,000 has been paid to the artist but the artist cannot fulfill the order. AKT studios are interested in taking over the production of the hogs with details to be worked out. Brooks plans to visit AKT studios next week and will get more information.

-Concerns were expressed regarding the \$10,000 payment such as can we get our money back, is there a contract with the artist. Jenny West has offered to send a Demand Letter to the artist. Mural for Morganford/Bates Monica shared some mockups for the mural. No decision at this time. Monica will continue to work on this.

-Leaf removal in the parkways is getting positive responses.

-Discussion regarding mulching the area at Holly Hills and Coronado where the mural is painted on the retaining wall. Brooks will check with Focal Point for a bid.

-Discussion regarding more large flowerpots for various spots in the district. Ongoing discussion.

Tree Work by Davey and MCD:

-The work will be trimming not removal. Davey is working with MCD to obtain a \$25,000 grant. The work is estimated to cost \$34,000 which leaves a bill for \$9,000 after we are reimbursed \$25,000 from the grant. The grant money will be paid to us after the work is completed. Infrastructure is sharing that \$9,000 cost with Beautification. The tree work will begin sometime in January and be completed sometime in March. Weather is a factor in the timeline.

-The beautification committee approved \$5,000 to be paid to Davey for a future tree trimming plan. The tree trimming is a multiple year plan.

-The trees to be trimmed will be determined by both the city and Davey.

-Some discussion of trimming all trees in need of trimming in all the parkways now and not waiting for the Davey/City plan. Cost is a factor, ongoing discussion.

Public Comment:

Bellerive neighbors like the Holly Hills sign in the raised planter but have a concern that the words Holly Hills cannot be easily seen due to the evergreen tree behind the sign. They are strategizing this concern. Regarding mural at Bates and Morganford the discussion leaned toward the mural should reflect the neighborhood not the business.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.