

**City of San Diego Park and Recreation Department**  
**Tierrasanta Maintenance Assessment District**  
**Open Space Committee Meeting**  
**7 PM Wednesday, May 1, 2013**  
**10371 Matador Court, San Diego CA 92124**

The Tierrasanta MAD Open Space Committee may take action  
On any of the following agenda items:

1. Call to Order – Deanna Spehn
2. Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes per person)
3. Report from Chair and Agenda Review – Deanna Spehn
4. Staff Report by Jan Eby, Tierrasanta MAD/Open Space Inspector
  - A. **Budget Status:** Everything is within budget projections.
  - B. **Treebeard Contract** – Routine maintenance continues per contract specifications. Interim contract was a possibility, but Treebeard was awarded the new contract so we will continue with uninterrupted maintenance for 5 more years. I have set up a PO for the last 2 months of the FY13 year and the first 2 months of the 1<sup>st</sup> contract year.
  - C. **Atlas Tree Contract** – The Citywide Tree contract is ‘dead’. There has been a ‘sole source’ (Atlas) identified. The MAD will be using this sole source contractor/service for urgent and emergency issues only until the City decides what to do next. The tree crew has been pruning center median trees on Tierrasanta Blvd., as well as doing other pruning or removal work as directed. We will continue to spend the remaining \$\$ we have in our Atlas PO until the end of June. It should about empty it.
  - D. **Current and Proposed Special Projects within the Tierrasanta MAD** –
    1. We will finalize the electric pedestal replacement on Santo Rd. at Antigua in April or May.
    2. We are replanting areas where plants have died due to frost, etc. More trees are also being planted.
    3. Treebeard is sprucing the District up for the Parade and overseeding bare or damaged turf areas on TS Blvd. Additional ornamentals are also being added here and there for a splash of color.
    4. The new *Dogs on Leash* signs were installed. It does not appear to be helping the problem much.
    5. Still waiting on survey for Villa Antigua HOA issue, as well as the right-of-entry permit. We met with them on-site to outline what can be done in there to clean up their debris, once this ‘conditional’ right-of-entry permit is signed and delivered. Barrier of wooden posts was installed at sidewalk so that there is no access except for gate. Lock has been changed. Administrative citations are being discussed.
    6. Slope slide behind the first house at Via Temprano and Rueda Drive is still in limbo. Waiting for the retaining wall design from our engineer. Treebeard has cleaned up most of the debris from the slope and brow ditch. Treebeard

has agreed to build the small retaining wall... We are in communication with the adjacent property owner. 7. Fertilizing and Aerifying has occurred in all our turf areas and all landscaped medians, etc. have been fertilized. Water schedules are being adjusted according to weather. 8. Field Closures have been set and Serra will be the first. I will set up things with Craig before I leave, on what we need to do for the maintenance of all the fields during the closures.

- E. **Current and Proposed Herbicide Usage in Tierrasanta MAD** – We continue to apply herbicide to invasives in our canyon areas, using Kelly and team. It is being subbed out thru Treebeard. This will likely continue thru FY14 unless Purchasing lets us continue with PO's thru Mike Kelly.
  - F. **San Diego County Water Authority Access to Mission Trails Regional Park construction site for pipeline work and Flow Regulatory Structure**: No updates or additional information
  - G. **Update on Status of Current Grants for Work in Tierrasanta MAD**: The Weston Company, who is currently working on grants thru the County for eliminating mosquito habitat are finalizing the first 2 sites you were notified about over a year ago. I met with them again a couple of weeks ago as they try and identify additional sites. There are a few problematic drainage areas in both East and West Shepherd Canyon. We did notice that there is a pretty healthy population of mosquito fish in some of the cleaner water areas, in the watershed.
  - H. **Update on Fire Safe Council/Fire Wise Community Demonstration Garden and Consideration of Future Projects/Actions** -- Nothing new to report.
5. New Business/Old Business Revisited: Potential Action Items—
- A. **Maintenance of Tierrasanta Parks, Joint Use Sites, Center Islands, Street Rights-of-Way, Improved Open Space and Unimproved Open Space Areas** -- Ongoing per contract. 1. The fibar finally arrived and it was dumped and spread in the Roadrunner and TCP tot lots. 2. The biologists working for the Southern CA Coastal Water Research Project would like to include our pond in their survey. They will be testing the water and sediment. 3. My replacement??
  - B. **Friends of Tierrasanta Canyons/SD Canyonlands Events/ Volunteers** - Report on Current Work Projects and Consideration of Future Projects/Actions – 1. Work continues in the Seda/Rueda Corridor. Some homeowners unhappy with the look of the area and with the amount of trees having been cut down due to restoration work, safety and liability issues and the brush management 2. SD Canyonlands is having a Creek to Bay event on Saturday April 27. I will be assisting with the work. 3. A Friends workday is scheduled for May 11. Roberta and I discussed and planned the workday for weed-pulling at the Firewise-site off Rueda Drive. She will be updating the Friends newsletter.

- C. **Tierrasanta Trails Maintenance Program** – Update and Consideration of Future Projects/Actions – **Jan**
- D. **Neighborhood Code Compliance current and potential cases within the Tierrasanta MAD** – Phil is working on the encroachments at the end of La Morada, at Las Brisas and behind Zagala.
- E. **Other** –
  - 1. **Update on the Band Stand** – We will add a few plants in the planted area for color. The bird of Paradise took a hit, but might actually make it... the large Sycamore is not showing much sign of new growth. I am afraid that too much damage to the roots was detrimental. **Lee, update on the canopy?**
  - 2. **'Greenbelt' signs** -- Update... The 8 signs were installed in April and they look great! Should we plan for a Phase II? Possibly a RoadRunner Neighborhood Park sign, a pond sign, Seda Nature Trail signs and perhaps a couple each of North and South Rueda Canyon signs?
- F. Adjournment

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Future/Tentative Advisory Committee Meeting Dates:

June 5, 2013  
July 3, 2013??  
August 7, 2013  
September 4, 2013