

Conservatory Metropolitan District
Community Update
October, 2013

As part of its ongoing effort to keep residents apprised of current matters before the Board of Directors of the Conservatory Metropolitan District, the Board intends to provide periodic updates to the community. The information contained here is only a brief summary, and residents are encouraged to attend Board meetings to learn about matters firsthand. The Board meets regularly at 9:00 a.m. on the third Monday of each month (odd numbered months) at the Conservatory Clubhouse, 2665 S. Jebel Way. Minutes of recent meetings are posted to the District's website. For additional information please contact the District Manager at (303) 987-0835 or visit our website at www.yourcmd.org.

Prairie Dogs: The Conservatory Metropolitan District is continuing its efforts to control the prairie dog population in our community. Members of the District's Board of Directors have met with contractors and recently with the City of Aurora to discuss control options. It has come to our attention that the City of Aurora may be sending a survey to residents in our community to better understand the importance of this issue. Should you receive a survey, we urge you to please complete and return the survey so that we may take advantage of any potential assistance in managing prairie dog control. As we work through this we will report on our progress, and we may be requesting your assistance in attending one or more upcoming City Council meetings. If you would be interested in possibly attending these meetings in support of our request for assistance with prairie dog control efforts please notify the District Manager, AJ Beckman at the phone number noted above. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Reserve Study: At its September 16, 2013 meeting, the Board of Directors reviewed the reserve study prepared by Stephen A. Prokopiak, P.E. The study detailed a plan to set aside funds for the planned replacement of capital assets as it becomes necessary. After reviewing the Study, the Board requested additional research to better understand the cost of repair versus replacement of the common metal fencing, and will discuss long range planning further at its budget hearing on November 18, 2013.

Budget Hearing: The District will hold its 2014 budget hearing on November 18, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at the Conservatory Clubhouse. Residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Tree Replacements: The District's Landscaping Committee has overseen the replacement of sixty three (63) trees this fall, mainly along the northern portions of South Conservatory Parkway. The planting was intentionally scheduled for September to take advantage of better prices and to avoid planting during the warmest weeks of the year. Over the past three years, the District has replaced over 190 dead or dying trees along South Conservatory Parkway and South Jericho Way. The District will be removing about two dozen dead or dying trees and will be monitoring several more over the next few months. Replanting efforts will continue through 2015.

Metal Fencing: The District's Board of Directors has received bids for replacement of the metal fencing located on District property. The Board is now researching the long term cost of replacement versus painting and repairing the existing fence. Either project will likely be completed in phases over two or more years.

Board Vacancy: Board Member Rick Speaect has informed the Board he is stepping down. His dedicated service to the District is greatly appreciated and will leave an open seat on the Board. If you are interested in filling the vacancy please feel free to contact AJ Beckman, the District Manager at the number listed above.