

**Santan Landscaping and Mitigation Community Working Group**  
**February 11, 2002**  
Minutes

**Attendance**

CWG Members

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| Richard Andrews | Present                                      |
| Michael Apergis | Absent, represented by Jim Perrault          |
| Maggie Cathey   | Present                                      |
| Nan Dawson      | Present                                      |
| Shane Donart    | Present                                      |
| Marshall Green  | Present                                      |
| Mark Kwiat      | Present                                      |
| Cathy LaTona    | Absent, represented by Cathy Lopez           |
| Cathy Lopez     | Present                                      |
| Scott Morrison  | Present                                      |
| George Pettit   | Present                                      |
| Kimberly Pugh   | Present, then represented by Richard Andrews |

Other Attendees

Russell Garrett, SRP  
Mary Orton, The Mary Orton Company  
Leah Manbeck, Ten Eyck Landscape Architects  
Dave Wilson, Ten Eyck Landscape Architects

Audience Attendees

Rebecca Cosseboom  
Nicki Reber

**Welcome**

The eighteenth meeting of the CWG was convened on the evening of February 11, 2002 in the Gilbert Municipal Building. Mary announced the proxies. Kimberly left the meeting at approximately 7:45 p.m. and named Richard as her proxy.

Mary noted that in accordance with the ground rules, she had talked to Richard about his interest in continuing on the CWG despite his absences, and he assured her he remained interested.

**Approval of Today's Agenda**

The group approved the agenda with the postponement of the discussion of the Construction Entrance to the next meeting. Marshall asked that an issue regarding the power line corridor be discussed if there is time, and the group agreed to add it to the agenda.

**Color Samples for Stacks and HRSGs**

Russell announced that SRP staff had searched for the transmission line pole color that was discussed at the last meeting, and was unable to find it. The group agreed to carry this item over to the next meeting.

**Landscaping Mitigation Plan**

Plant sizes: The CWG discussed the desired plant sizes for the on-site landscaping. Dave noted that the plans would go forward with the plant sizes desired, but cautioned that the larger sizes may or may not be available at the time the bids are let.

Leah distributed copies of the plans that had been approved for the on-site landscaping. The group agreed that they would discuss plant numbers at the next meeting, after having time to review the plans.

**The CWG agreed that the tallest trees available should be planted on the east half of the east side, the Key Biscayne area, the southwest corner, the top of the berm, and the northwest corner.**

**The CWG agreed that on the north side, based on the concept plans distributed, the top of the berm should be planted with 50% 48" box trees and 50% 54" box trees; the Key Biscayne area, 54" to 60"; palo verde and mesquite trees, 36", Chinese pistache, 48", and sweet acacia, 36".**

The group agreed that they would review the construction documents after the Town of Gilbert review (95% submittal). They also agreed that they would review the bid response. The CWG requested that Ten Eyck and SRP respond to their request for contract tree growing in order to ensure larger trees being available.

Costs for the landscaping plan: Dave distributed a cost analysis of the plan as approved by the CWG. The total cost is \$8,275,037. The CWG asked that the analysis be revised to show the east side and the wall costs separate from the other costs. They requested that SRP respond to the cost analysis at the next meeting.

Dave noted that the plans and cost analysis might change when it is coordinated with the engineers who are developing the plans for the plant expansion.

Remaining items from the 42-item list: The CWG reviewed the remaining items from the 42-item list and agreed that the following items would be discussed at the next meeting:

- Change construction entrances away from Warner Road.
- Flow of construction traffic.
- Deliveries to the plant should be away from Warner.

The CWG agreed that the following items had been addressed, and could be removed from the next iteration of the list:

- Long-term health of the trees. Plant smaller?
- Go out of state if necessary to get more mature trees.
- Remove all existing tanks.
- Connect the trails to Crossroads Park.
- South and west exposures – county island and Western Skies.
- Walls for safety – explosions, etc.

The CWG agreed that they would address the remaining item, “Long-term maintenance of landscaping – guarantee,” when both the on-site and off-site plans had been completed.

Power line corridor: Marshall suggested that he might be able to persuade the HOAs in the area to accept the continuance of the trails through the power line corridor north of Warner Road, if the CWG were willing to commit to the same level of landscaping through the corridor as has been planned in the trails area on the SRP property. This would be in lieu of having a barrier across the power line corridor. The group discussed the idea and did not come to a consensus on a level of commitment, but did express interest in the idea.

#### **Agenda for the Next Meeting**

The group agreed that the following items would be on the agenda for the next meeting, scheduled for Saturday, February 23, 2002 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon:

- color samples for stacks and HRSGs
- construction entrance
- plant numbers
- response from SRP on cost analysis – divided into two lists
- off-site mitigation plan process
- Arizona Nursery Association standards for sizes of trees

#### **Schedule the Next Meeting(s)**

The group agreed that the meeting after next would be held on Monday, March 4, 2002, at the Gilbert Municipal Building, 6:15 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### **Minutes from the February 2, 2002 meeting**

The CWG approved the minutes from the February 2 meeting with no objection.

Cathy Lopez requested, and the CWG agreed, to add the following to the minutes: Member Cathy Lopez has decided to abstain from approving the meeting minutes. This decision is based upon the exhausting situation which is created when concerns over the accuracy of said minutes are addressed and to avoid this situation, member Cathy Lopez declines to approve the meeting minutes.

**Public Comment**

Becky Cosseboom expressed the Wanda Drive residents' desire to have lights along the trail no higher than eight feet. Leah said that she would pass along that information to the Gilbert Parks and Recreation Department, which is developing standards for lights in the trail system.

The meeting adjourned.