November 2020 Newsletter

In my previous newsletter I reported that we were adding two positions to the Board of Directors. Unfortunately, I was misinterpreting the information that our founders placed in the initial documents. Thanks to the sharp eyes and analytic skills of one of our homeowners, it was brought to our attention that we had incorrectly interpreted the terms for adding new members to the board. Regardless if they are appointed or elected, the new members would serve a three (3) year term. That means that of the four (4) board members to be elected in May, three (3) will be elected to three (3) year terms and one to a one (1) year term. If you are interested in helping to shape your community, please consider running for the board this coming year. We need and want your ideas and input to help keep our association strong in the coming years.

Included with this newsletter is the proposed budget for 2021. As you will note, almost half a million dollars has been allocated to maintain our association for the coming year. That includes our ongoing efforts to increase the reserve fund. This fund will insure we will be able to pay for any significant or catastrophic expenses in the future. With that amount of expenditure, we will need to increase each homeowner's assessment amount by five percent (5%) for the coming year, making the rate \$175.00 per quarter, or \$58.33 for those paying monthly. Street assessment amounts will not increase. Your board is always trying to minimize expenditures and still maintain the quality and beauty of our neighborhood. Unfortunately, as our infrastructure ages, more work and expense is involved in holding on to that quality.

Please continue to consider your neighbors and neighborhood as you maintain your yard and surrounding areas. We will continue to remind those who have issues with weeds or trash that is visible on their property that they must maintain their yard. If you have a corner property, the area between your side block wall and the sidewalk is your responsibility. Please help keep it well trimmed and free of weeds. Also remember to pull your trash and recycling bins out of sight as soon as possible. Leaving the bins our for several days is violation of city code as well as detraction from the look of the neighborhood.

Bulk trash should be placed in the street and not on the sidewalk. Please try to place that trash as close to pick up day as possible as piles of discarded furniture and other things sitting in the street for weeks makes our neighborhood look like a trash dump. If you are unsure as to when your bulk pick-up is scheduled, you may go to the web site for the City of Goodyear under Public Works and then Trash and Recycling Services to find a map of the bulk trash zones. Our HOA falls within 3 different zones with 3 different days for pick-up

If you have questions or concerns, please contact our association partners, Vision Community Management. Their contact information, along with community information and forms, is available at: estrellavista@wearevision.com

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