LANDSCAPING

Change can be a wonderful thing. Our community has expressed an emotional array about our present landscaping, landscapers, condition of our lawns, trees, properties, sidewalks, and street gutters. Attempting to restore and beautify our community is a job we ALL need to participate in.

Change for change sake is not a good idea. Each change we make should occur when we have exhausted all remedies of improving present venders and management. It is our intention, through the use of board appointed committees, that we can improve our quality of life in Siena Oaks. Landscaping committee members will work with Sago supervisors to improve workers results. The committee will report directly to the board. If we can get a positive change by being more involved, great. If not then other changes will have to be made. You may ask why not change now?

The same workers work for all companies. Management and supervisors of our present company have to be held

accountable for their workers efforts on a daily basis. Reasons for not changing companies at this time:

- 1) Irrigation- As per the documents, all heads are covered by your HOA. Underground piping, timing, switching valves and wiring are the home owner's responsibility. Sago maintains a full time irrigation staff at oaks east. If community members call sago directly or e-mail directly, they will usually be repaired within 24hrs.
- 2) Leaf mitigation- During winter months when lawns are mowed every other week, Sago provides leaf clean-up on the alternate week to mowing at no additional charge. We have 22-23 year old mature oak trees that drop leaves in between visits. As a community we need to clean our leaves and keep our gutters clean to assist drainage. If you sweep your leaves into the grates, we will incur street flooding and very expensive cleanup during heavy downpours.
- 3) Tree removal, sod installation and plantings at very reasonable rates.

All violations for weeds and mulch will be removed by the management company who imposed them. Going forward, our landscaping committee will work with homeowners to help them improve their properties to comply with our documents. Only after failing to comply will the management company send out landscaping violations.

A feed (no weed) is scheduled for April 21-23 weather permitting. All homeowners must water well after application to prevent burning and insure nutrients enter the soil.

A list of acceptable tree replacements for those homes who have or will be notified that they must replant acceptable replacements for their oaks (city ordinance), will be placed on the office bulletin board as well as the web site.

Trees or hedges above 8 ft. in the side or back yards will be the responsibility of the homeowner to maintain. Illegal trees (i.e. - coconut palms) should be removed by homeowners. If not done, the hoa will groom trees and charge or lien homeowners for the maintenance expense.

Dead hedges have been removed from common area next to 10181 at the entrance and replaced. Diseased robellini on entrance corner has been cut down, stump to be removed.

Plantings to add color to the clubhouse and entrance will be discussed.

Relamping has been completed with led's around the pool and at entrance.

Final decision on tree trimming on tonight's agenda Final decision on deck painting on tonight's agenda Final decision on pole painting on tonight's agenda.