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The Vaux Condominiums

Landscape Committee Report - Dirk Jongejan - Landscape Committee

TO: The Board of Directors

This report covers the period from the first of the year through October 2008. The landscape maintenance company is Seven Dees.

In terms of plantings and the site in general this has been a very satisfying year. At the beginning of the year we did experience some dead plants (primarily Azaleas) that had succumbed to root weevil. This problem is now under control and new replacement plants (different species) will be installed in the next month. We also experienced some powdery mildew infestation, primarily on several street trees and Oregon Grape. The plants have been treated and will continue to be treated into next year. Plants damaged from dog activity or foot traffic have been replaced. Aside from these relatively minor problems, plants have grown exceedingly well (well above expectations). About mid-year we experienced some discoloration of the water in the water features. This issue has been resolved and the water features once again look spectacular.

You will have also noticed the installation of four benches in the courtyard. A welcome addition which allows all of us to enjoy the wonderful courtyard even more. You may have also noticed the installation of above-ground equipment by Qwest, near the southeast corner of the Vaux property. The landscape around this equipment has recently been restored by Qwest and looks good. We anticipate providing some additional plantings around the Qwest equipment to provide some additional screening from adjacent condominium units.

All in all the landscape and site look excellent and we aim, with your cooperation, to keep it that way. The assistance of all homeowners to reduce the amount (or preferably eliminate) damage from foot traffic and dogs is very much appreciated.

One great thing about plants, if properly maintained, they just keep looking better over time, which enhances the overall look of The Vaux and instills a high level of pride.

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